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CRY OF 'DOMINIONS OFFICE MUST GO'

UNION CABINET CRISIS

Hofmeyr's Resignation Not Accepted
SMUTS AND HERTZOG AS PEACE MAKERS

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 18. A crisis has occurred in the Union Cabinet, the Minister of Defence Mr. Pirow and Acting Minister of the Interior Mr. Hofmeyr expressing contradictory Government policies regarding the Asiatic bills before the Assembly which has forbidden mixed marriages between Europeans and Asiatics and the employment of Europeans by Asiatics.

While Mr. Pirow has given assurances that the bills would become law in this session Mr. Hofmeyr has refused such assurances.

Mr. Hofmeyr according to lobby circles has tendered his resignation which hitherto has not been accepted.

General Smuts and Gen. Hertzog are striving to smooth the trouble.—Reuter.

HONGKONG TO BE FORTIFIED

120,000 Sterling Scheme For Stanley Peninsula

HONGKONG, Feb. 18. Programme to fortify Stanley Peninsula, Hongkong Island, has been announced by the military authorities.

Two square miles will be enclosed for public works scheme including large barracks costing 120,000 sterling.—Reuter.

LINDBERGH'S FOR INDIA

BAGHDAD, Feb. 18. Col. and Mrs. Lindbergh, who left Cairo yesterday for Baghdad, were forced to turn back in sandstorm. They spent the night at the desert post of Rutbah Wells and continued their flight this morning.

It is understood that they intend to fly to India.—Reuter.

Lindberghs Arrive At Basrah

BASRAH, Feb. 18. Colonel and Mrs. Lindbergh arrived here at 10-15 hours.—Reuter's Special.

Congress Disciplinary Action Against Newspapers?

CALCUTTA, Feb. 18. The Executive Council of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee which met to-night, appointed a sub-committee of five members to enquire into the conduct of some Congressmen, who were reported to have directly or indirectly gone against the interests of Congress candidates at the last elections to the Bengal Assembly and

further to decide what attitude the Provincial Congress Committee should adopt with regard to certain Nationalist newspapers, who had directly helped the non-Congress candidates in the said elections.

It was also decided to hold a general meeting of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee by the middle of March next to consider what recommendations should be forwarded to the All-India Congress Committee on the question of Office-Acceptance by the Congress Legislators.—United Press.

CONGRESS HAS CHANCES FOR CLEAR MAJORITY IN THE BOMBAY ASSEMBLY

Election Reports From Gujarat, Maharashtra & Karnatak Are Pointers

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT). Prophecy in Politics is dangerous, but there is enough material for an intelligent forecast of the Congress position, sequel to the conclusion of the Assembly elections.

Reports of strong support to the Congress candidates are pouring in at the Central Parliamentary Board Office from the Districts. Indications, as can be gathered from these, are that the Congress will have a clear majority in the Bombay Legislative Assembly.

Encouraging Reports

In the Bombay City and Suburbs, the Congress set up 15 candidates. Two of them have been returned unopposed. Of the remaining, Congress is definite to capture at least ten.

In Gujarat Congress set up 22 candidates, seven of whom have been returned unopposed. Of the remaining, at least, 12 will be returned, though all the 15 seats are expected to go to the Congress.

In Maharashtra, Congress has set up 54 candidates, and taking a moderate view, 45 of them will be returned.

In Karnatak, Congress has set up (about) 18 candidates and 14 of them will be elected at a moderate estimate.

Congress Majority

The Congress position in the Assembly will be as follows:—	
BOMBAY CITY	12
GUJARAT	19
MAHARASHTRA	45
KARNATAK	14
TOTAL	90

The above figures do not include nearly a dozen of Nationalist and Radical members, who would side with the Congress.

CONGRESS GROWING IN STRENGTH

Latest Party Position In U. P.

LUCKNOW, Feb. 18. Latest party positions in the U. P. Assembly are as follows:—	
CONGRESS	134
National Agriculturist Party	17
Muslim League	29
Independent Muslims	26
Independent Hindus	8
Europeans	2
Commerce	3
Landholders	4
Anglo-Indian	1
The Congress has captured three more seats to-day. Counting of 221 out of the 228 constituencies is over. Of the seven remaining are two Indian Christians, two are Landholders, two Labour and one Mahomedan Rural. The Congress expects to capture the Labour seats.—United Press.	

PARTY POSITION IN C. P.

NAGPUR, Feb. 18. The Congress has secured 24 seats in the C. P. Assembly out of 39 results available so far. Latest party positions are as follows:—	
CONGRESS	24
Roufshah Party (Muslims)	5
Shareef Muslims	2
Non-Brahmins	3
European	1
Independent Labour	1
Independents	3
United Press.	

RUSH OF WOMEN VOTERS

MADRAS, Feb. 18. Unprecedented enthusiasm was evinced by voters in the City, and from early hours in the morning, large numbers were seen proceeding to the respective booths on foot. Out of 56,904 voters in the city, 37,715 are men and 19,189 women. The latter seemed to be vying with men in exercising their franchise. They came in batches, and in one polling booth, the Presiding Officer found it difficult to cope with the rush of women voters. Cries of

Dominion Status In Action

JOHANNESBURG: (By Air Mail). There is good reason to believe that several of the Dominions at the forthcoming Imperial Conference, intend to press for the abolition of the Dominions Office in London.

It is felt not only by South Africa, but also by Canada and Australia, that this particular Department has served its purpose and should now be abolished. Far more efficient and speedier results, it is claimed, could be achieved, if the Dominions made representations directly to the particular British ministerial departments concerned.

The Conference is also likely to be asked to decide whether the whole Empire should have a common foreign policy or whether each Dominion should be permitted to conduct its relations with outside Powers along lines not necessarily identical with the external policies of other sections of the Commonwealth.

The Union may also raise the question of the King's toast at official functions. It may be recalled that recently, at an official banquet here, the King was toasted as King of South Africa, and this created controversy. General Hertzog may seek a ruling as to whether all the Dominions should not adopt a similar toast.

Dominions' Defence

Sir Thomas Inskip Resumes Loan Debate In Commons

LONDON, Feb. 18. Sir Thomas Inskip resuming the Defence Loan Debate in the House of Commons said:

You can never calculate safety on a narrow margin. Ultimately the task of any Government worthy of the name must be that of making certain that no foreign foe will prevail over us. Britain's unassailable credit was an invaluable asset. He deprecated the opposition reference to the policy of dominions' governments and added, this year we shall enjoy a full measure of conference with dominions' representatives. Let them speak through their accredited representatives in their own way and don't embroil them in our commitments.

Replying to the Opposition suggestion that Britain was being asked to pay for Dominion's defence, Sir Thomas Inskip said:—

We ask this country to pay for Colonies and Dependencies in which we are responsible and on those parts of the Empire for which we depend for much of our raw materials. Dominions are conscious of the value of their association with Britain. They are making their own preparations at their own expense for their own defence. Government were convinced that the re-equipment of the three fighting services was an indispensable means to our objective which remained the negotiation of European settlement and strengthening the authority of the League. We are prepared to co-operate in the common work of political appeasement and economic co-operation (loud cheers).—Reuter.

Fr. Cabinet Approves It

PARIS, Feb. 18. The Cabinet has approved measures to prevent volunteers going to Spain, including the reinforcement of Airforce supervision of all departures from aerodromes and rigid control of ports and frontier stations, providing special police on trains likely to be used by volunteers, forbidding wireless stations, issuing appeals for recruits and stricter supervision of the issue of passports.—Reuter.

GRUESOME PLIGHT OF REFUGEES

Canadian Doctor Describes Tragic Exodus From Malaga

VALENCIA, Feb. 18. The piteous experiences of Malaga refugees were told by a Canadian, Dr. Norman Bethune. While taking a lorryload of blood from Barcelona for transfusion on Feb. 18, he encountered an incessant stream of refugees to Almeria. He counted 5000 children, of whom 1,000 were barefoot and many clad in a single garment. Dr. Bethune and party abandoned their efforts to force a way through and decided that more urgent work lay at hand transporting the worst cases to safety. He often had to decide between a child dying of dysentery and a mother sucking her baby, born on the road. The horrors were intensified when 50,000 refugees doubled the population of Almeria. German and Italian planes on Feb. 12 rained bombs on the crowded squares and at least 50 civilians were killed in the eerie darkness, illuminated by the glow of buildings set on fire by the bombs. Thousands of refugees are waiting to Valencia but all able-bodied men are eliminated "en route" for the Militia.—Reuter.

Rebel Depots Raided And Bombed

GOVT. ADVANCE ON JARAMA FRONT

French And Free State Plans For Effective Non-Intervention

MADRID, Feb. 18. A Defence Committee communique estimates three-mile advance on Jarama front by Government troops with capture of quantities of munitions.

The War ministry announces, Government aeroplanes raided Ceuta and bombed fortifications, arms depots and troop concentrations.

FOR JOINT ACTION

BARCELONA, Feb. 18. Common action with the Valencia Government with a view to establishing sole command is promised by the Catalan Minister of Education.—Reuter.

Gen. Franco Congratulated

SALAMANCA, Feb. 18. General Franco has received a telegram from Rome, conveying "enthusiastic congratulations" of ex-King Alfonso on the capture of Malaga.

Gen. Franco has replied cordial thanks.—Reuter.

NO UNAUTHORISED DEPARTURES

LONDON, Feb. 18. Wide powers to prevent unauthorised departures for Spain are sought in the Irish Free State Bill to ensure non-intervention in the Spanish conflict. Control will even be exercised over the issue of travelling tickets. Police will be empowered to arrest suspects without warrant.

It is proposed to recognise both sides in the civil war as belligerents. Red Cross workers will be allowed to operate under permit and the Irish Christian Front movement which has been sending volunteers to Gen. Franco's army, have to secure Government permit to send ambulances. Infringers of the law are liable to a maximum fine of 500 sterling and for two years' imprisonment.—Reuter.

Volunteer Control Scheme

LONDON, Feb. 18. Such progress was made by the Non-Intervention Sub-Committee meeting this morning dealing with the Portuguese objections to the Volunteer Control Scheme that the further meeting in the evening, it is hoped, will register complete agreement on the system of control and access to Spain through Portugal.

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THUNDERSTORM HITS ASSAM

Several Houses Collapse & Standing Crops Damaged

SORRY FLIGHT OF 500 FAMILIES

GAUHATI, Feb. 18. Terrible havoc has been wrought, according to reports received from Upper Assam, by an unprecedented cyclonic weather attended with thunderstorm which swept over the villages situated on the banks of the river Jhansi near Jorhat early this week.

In two villages, Bharalgaon and Robigaon, which are stated to have suffered most, almost all houses have been collapsed, big trees have been uprooted, the standing crops have been hopelessly damaged and rice granaries have been levelled to the ground. Besides this, most of livestock including domestic elephants and buffaloes are either killed or seriously injured by the collapsing of houses or falling of trees.

As many as 20 persons including two women in an advanced stage of pregnancy have sustained more or less serious injuries. Roofs of not less than 60 pucca houses have been blown off to long distances. Altogether over 500 families have been rendered homeless and left without means of livelihood.

Students and staff of the Jhansi High School as well as police officers of Amguri and Teoka have organised relief for the sufferers. A public meeting was held at Jorhat for appealing for funds to help the afflicted people.—United Press.

BURMA-JAPAN TRADE PACT

Light On Basis Of Cotton Protocol

NEW DELHI, Feb. 18. According to reliable forecasts available, the basis of the Cotton Protocol between Burma and Japan expected to be signed shortly, will be 420,000 yards of cotton piecegoods, against 65,000 bales of raw cotton.

The Indian and Burma Trade Regulation Order-in-Council issued on the 4th February provides the limit of the importation of Japanese cotton piecegoods into Burma at the 1934-35 level. In this year, Burma imported 4,16,55,017 yards from Japan. This limit, it appears, will be the basis of the new agreement. This is further borne out by a forecast made in "Tokyo Asahi," an influential newspaper of the Japanese capital, as early as December 1936.

As regards the purchase of Burmese raw cotton by Japan, "Tokyo Asahi" says that Burma proposes Japanese off-take of 65 per cent. of her total production of cotton. This production is estimated at 1,00,000 bales.

Accordingly Japan may undertake to buy probably a minimum of 65,000 bales. In 1934-35 Japan's off-take of Burmese cotton amounted to 30,760 bales. Of course, the importation of Japanese cotton piecegoods will be classified in four categories, the percentage variation of which may be settled, when an Agreement is reached between India and Burma.—United Press.

BLOW TO GERMANY'S RECOVERY EFFORTS

Hitler On Catastrophic Consequences Of New War

BERLIN, Feb. 18. "The German people no longer entertain the slightest ill-feeling over war. Nothing remains but great respect for our former opponents" declared Herr Hitler addressing party ex-Servicemen including three members of the International Front Fighters Union at Berchtesgaden.

The Fuehrer declared that new war would have catastrophic consequences for all nations. Disturbance of peace at home would endanger Germany's reconstruction work, but the menace to external peace would utterly destroy Germany's gigantic efforts of recovery.—Reuter.

The Cunard White Star Liner "Queen Mary" re-entered North Atlantic service yesterday sailing from Southampton with 835 passengers for New York.

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REPETITION IN "SENTINEL": Tabulated Adlets appearing in "The Chronicle" will be charged at half the price if inserted in the "Sentinel" same day.

To ensure prompt publication of your Tabulated Adlets, cash payment strictly in advance is necessary.

8. MATRIMONIAL

Wanted a Beautiful, Healthy and sweet-toned Madhwa girl of a respectable family to marry a young Jodidar well-settled in life. Particulars on correspondence. Apply with photos and horoscopes to Box No. 7786 "Bombay Chronicle".

9. SITUATIONS VACANT.

Wanted—Capable men to keep stock and push sale of Tea (packed and loose) on a fixed salary. Only experienced persons in the line need apply to Box 2500 "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted Two Fast Stenographers knowing Gujarathi-Marathi for new Bank, also Parsi Accountant, Salesmen, for Oil Company. Salaries upto 75/- Consult: Goldwyn (India) Company, Kirtree Building, Forbes Street, opposite Greaves Cotton, Bombay. 7788.

Wanted Young and Energetic actors and actresses knowing Tamil and well-versed in music to act in Tamil Talkie pictures. Apply with photos. Also Tamil Author who can compose songs and write crisp Dialogue. Apply Box No. 2502, "Bombay Chronicle".

9. SITUATIONS VACANT.

Wanted by Business Organisation—Branch Managers on 150—200 (cash security with Banks required), at Poona and Jaipur. Also cashiers, stenographers, accountants. Apply "Goldwyn," Kirtree Bldg., Opposite Greaves Cotton, Forbes St., Bombay. (7789).

Wanted a qualified nurse and midwife. Apply with testimonials to the Chief Medical Officer, Palanpur State. (7789).

Wanted—Immediately one fair-looking Anglo-Indian or Mahomedan Mistress to coach one minor girl. Knowledge of embroidery is essential. Apply stating pay, age and qualification to Box No. 2503, "Bombay Chronicle".

Please report any misrepresentations or request for cash bonds, deposit or investment for samples or service not stated in the advertisement to the "Chronicle." Telephone No. 22037.

Wanted—A Full-Trained Nurse with at least three year's experience for a Mills Hospital in Ahmedabad. Apply Box No. 2501, "Bombay Chronicle".

Send "Chronicle" to your friends

Wanted—A Research Assistant for the scheme of investigations on "Cereal Rusts" up to the end of March, 1938. Salary Rs. 200 per mensem. Only persons holding a Doctor's degree in Mycology are eligible. Preference will be given to the candidate who is familiar with recent work on "Cereal Rusts". Apply Box No. 2504, "Bombay Chronicle".

TO ALL THOSE WHO ARE UNEMPLOYED.

"Chronicle" in order to assist all those who are without employment requiring full time or part-time positions, offers to insert an advertisement in the Tabulated adlets columns. Free of Charge provided the unemployed is married, has been out of job for one full year, and has experience at anyone trade or profession for five continuous years. Only three names will be accepted for free advertisement in any one class of work. The management reserves the right to revise or refuse any advertisement without assigning any reason for doing so.

10. SITUATIONS WANTED.

Experienced M. A., uniformly brilliant career coaches Inter Arts and B.A. students Econ. (Hons.), English, History. Also knows Sanskrit very well. Maximum satisfaction guaranteed. Terms very moderate. Please write to Box No. 2514, "The Bombay Chronicle".

Sound commercial business experience, highly trained, certificate and diploma holder. Thorough knowledge of Book-keeping and Accountancy and Typewriting. Full energetic, aged 30. Thorough experience of business agency. Also expert in survey, settlement, kanungship, revenue, company accountant and auditors, assistant manager work, and inspector of agencies. Fully capable of controlling office staff and labour force faithfully, is desirous of obtaining reliable appointment in limited company or firms on decent salary. Please apply to Box No. 2507, "Bombay Chronicle".

31. MOTOR CARS FOR SALE.

A 7-Seater Nash Car in perfect order. New Accumulator and all tyres in perfect condition. Apply: Box No. 2506 "Bombay Chronicle".

61. MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

One Portable Primaphone Machine with good records. Reasonable offer expected. Write to Box No. 2510 "Bombay Chronicle".

73 AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Travelling Agents on salary Rs. 75 plus 50 T.A. to push the sales of cloth and hosiery. Apply sharp with one anna postal stamp to:—Dwarkanadas Brijmohan-das, Cloth and Hosiery Manufacturers, Phillaur Dt. Jullundur. (7770).

Wanted Agents to sell our first class Silk Saris, shirting and suiting cloth up-to-date designs. Terms moderate decent commission allowed. Price of sample Box Rs. 12 only. Apply to:—Jupiter Store Importers and Manufacturers Ludhiana (Punjab). 7761.

75. STATIONERY.

White writing pad in two sizes. Ideal for office use. Price four annas per pound. Call telephone No. 22037 or write to "Bombay Chronicle" (2513).

103. LIVE STOCK.

For Sale. Three Lion Cubs, aged 3 months. Excellent health, pure breed. Apply with offer to:—Khasgi Officer, Rewa. (2505).

Wanted two dog puppies both male. They need not be pedigree. Price about Rs. 10 each. Apply Box 2516, "Bombay Chronicle".

Parrot for sale. Very tame and talks in Gujarati and Marathi. Price Rs. 100. Apply Box No. 2517, "Bombay Chronicle".

123. FURNITURE.

One electric ceiling fan 230 D.C. in good condition. Price Rs. 50. Apply Box No. 2515, "The Bombay Chronicle".

Six Folding Chairs—Good Condition. Just right for picnic use. Price very low. Please apply to Box No. 2509 "Bombay Chronicle".

156. MISCELLANEOUS.

Lucky Number Tips. 8 to 12 Winners daily. Fee Rs. .5. No V.P. H. R. Rajani, Divanpara, Bhavnagar. 7787.

OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Wanted Steel Cabinets For Office use, must be in good condition. Write stating price expected to Box No. 2511 "Bombay Chronicle".

TYPEWRITERS

Wanted Foolscape Size Remington Typewriter. Please write with details, price expected, model number to Box No. 2512 "Bombay Chronicle".

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Used Zinc Blocks of Public Functions and other illustrations except personalities are available at very cheap rate. Please apply to "Bombay Chronicle" 2508.

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NOTICE TO JURYMEN.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SPECIAL JURY, summoned for the current Criminal Sessions are required to attend at the High Court on FRIDAY, the 19th instant at 10-45 a.m. (S.T.)

A. G. GRAY,
Sheriff of Bombay.
Bombay, 16th February, 1937.

Legal Notices.

SHERIFF'S PROCLAMATION.
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

SUIT NO. 1089 OF 1928.

MANILAL I. MEHTA, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Dadset Agary Lane, outside the Fort of Bombay Plaintiff.

versus.

HUSEINABAI, daughter of Alimabomed Alibagwala and widow of Rasulbhoj Esmailji Patrawala alias Masilla, of Bombay Borah Mahomedan Inhabitant at present residing at Mand-sore, opposite old Masjid (2.) NANALAL CHAGANLAL MEHTA, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Fanaswadi, outside the Fort of Bombay. (3.) ABDUL KARIM ALLABUX, of Ujjain, Borah Mahomedan Inhabitant, carrying on business at Bombay and Ujjain under the name and style and firm of Mahomedally Essabhoj Ujjainwala residing at Ujjain Defendants.

AND WHEREAS by a Warrant of Sale, dated the 3rd day of October, 1936, the Sheriff of Bombay was directed to sell by public auction all the right title and interest of the 1st and 3rd Defendants in the lands and premises in the said Warrant mentioned, that is to say,

All that piece or parcel of quit and ground rent land or ground together with the messuages tenements, etc., standing thereon situate, lying and being at 2nd Cooper Street in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasured 195 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 2336 New No. 9386, Old Survey No. 1545, New Survey No. 4545 and Coshwari Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under C Ward No. 7934 and Street Nos. 24, 26, 28 and bounded as follows:—

that is to say, on or towards the East by the house of Samsuddin Abdul Rassool Mulla, on or towards the West by the house of Esmail Habib, on or towards the North by the house of Bora Malo-medi and on or towards the South by the 2nd Cooper Street aforesaid.

NOW IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND NOTIFIED that on the 15th day of March, 1937, at the hour of 4 o'clock in the afternoon the Sheriff of Bombay will under and by virtue of the said Warrant of sale, dated 3rd October, 1936, put up for sale by Public Auction on the premises to the highest bidder and without reserve the right, title and interest of the said 1st and 3rd defendants in the said lands and premises or in so much thereof as may be necessary for the satisfaction of the said order costs, costs of previous and of this execution together with Sheriff's poundage.

Intimation is given that the Court does not warrant the correctness of the above description of the premises nor the title of the said 1st and 3rd defendants to the same or to any interest therein. Should the said 1st and 3rd defendants have no saleable interest whatever in the property to be sold in accordance with this Proclamation any sum paid by the purchaser by way of full or part payment for the same will be repayable to the purchaser. The above-mentioned applicant has not obtained permission to bid at the sale.

Of the price of the property one-fourth shall be paid forthwith when the property is knocked down to a purchaser; the remainder of the purchase money must be paid in each case by the purchaser to the Sheriff on or before the fifteenth day after the sale. The sale will not become absolute until confirmed by the Court. In default of payment in whole or in part as above prescribed, any

sum paid as deposit will be forfeited to the Government and the property will be sold free from any interest therein or in the proceeds thereof of the prior purchaser.

For further information and conditions of sale application should be made at the office of the Sheriff, or at the office of Messrs. Damanla and Co., applicant's attorneys, 9 Bell Lane, Fort. Dated this 8th day of February, 1937.

A. G. GRAY,
Sheriff of Bombay.
4904.

Public Notices

THE BOMBAY DYEING & MFG. COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Neville House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 12th March, 1937, at 10-30 a.m. (S.T. Time) for the transaction of the following business:—

- 1.—To adopt the Directors' Report, the Audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1936.
- 2.—To sanction the declaration of a dividend.
- 3.—To appoint a director in place of Mr. Neville N. Wadia, who retires from Office, but is eligible and offers himself for re-election.
- 4.—To appoint a director in place of Mr. Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, Bart., who retires from Office, but is eligible and offers himself for re-election.
- 5.—To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.
- 6.—To transact such other business as may be brought forward by the Directors.

By Order of the Board,
NOWROSJEE WADIA & SONS, Agents.
The Bombay Dyeing & Mfg. Co., Ltd.

NOTICE TO BUILDING CONTRACTORS.

1. Sealed tenders are invited for the superstructure work of the New Office Premises for Kumar Chandrabhanusinhji of Wankaner at Sir Pherozsha Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay.

2. Copies of tender form can be obtained from Messrs. Gregson, Batley and King, Chartered Architects, Chartered Bank Building, Bombay on payment of Rs. 10 per copy and plans etc. can be inspected in their office during Office-hours.

3. The tenders must be returned to the undersigned on or before 5th March, 1937, with a cash deposit of Rs. 2,500 and which amount will be returned to the unsuccessful tenderers.

4. The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any tenders.

THE HOME MEMBER,
Wankaner State, Wankaner.
4908

THE BANK OF INDIA LIMITED, BOMBAY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Bank of India, Ltd., will be held at the Registered Office, Oriental Buildings, on FRIDAY, the 19th February, 1937, at 3 p.m. (S.T.) for the following objects:—

- (1) To receive the Report of the Directors and the Audited Accounts of the Bank for the year ended 31st December, 1936.
- (2) To declare a dividend.
- (3) To elect Directors in the places of those who retire but are eligible for re-election.
- (4) To appoint Auditors for the ensuing year and to fix their remuneration.

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Manager.
Bombay, 28th January, 1937.
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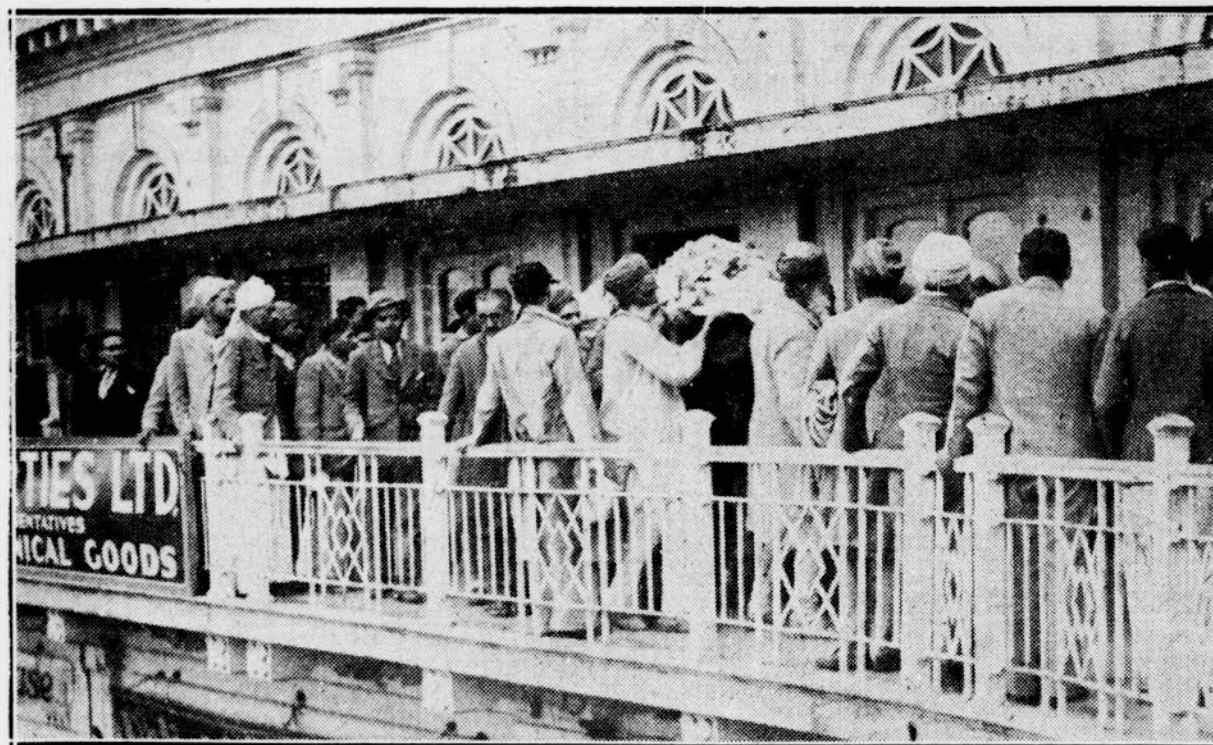
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TRADES DISPUTES (AMENDMENT) BILL

Burma Indian Chamber Expresses General Agreement With Provisions

RANGOON, February 17. In giving their views on the Trade Disputes (Amendment) Bill, which was introduced in the Indian Legislative Assembly, the Burma Indian Chamber of Commerce express their general agreement with the provisions of the Bill. However, they suggest that it should be made quite clear in the Bill that the liability of persons to the penalties prescribed by section 17 would become operative only from the date of the notification of the illegality of a strike or lockout and not from the date of the actual commencement of a strike or a lockout which was subsequently declared illegal.—United Press.

PROTEST BY S. AFRICAN INDIAN CONGRESS

The Pietermaritzburg Correspondent of the "Hindu" sent the following cable to his paper on February 15:—

Promoters of anti-Indian legislation, after the Mixed Marriage Bill was rejected, are making another attempt to place two new measures on the Union's statute book. General Pienaar seeks to empower the Transvaal Provincial Council to refuse trading licences to all non-Europeans who employ white persons in their businesses. The second bill moved by Mr. J. A. B. Grobler denies the right of owning property to any white woman who marries a non-European. These bills have been introduced despite the open repudiation of Gen. Pienaar's Mixed Marriage Bill by the Premier and General Smuts.

Hofmeyer's Denial

On behalf of the Government, Minister Hofmeyer, interviewed yesterday, denied that he has given any assurance of Government support for the new measures nor has the responsible Minister been consulted concerning them. The persistence of the Transvaal anti-Asiatics forcing the issue is believed to be prompted by a desire to embarrass the Government owing to their dissatisfaction on such matters as conferment of a title on the Governor General-designate and the constitutional issue involving the question of the

MAN OF RARE COURAGE

Bhulabhai's Tribute To Lala Harkisanlal

BOMBAY, Thursday. Mr. Bhulabhai J. Desai has issued the following statement:—The passing of Lala Harkisanlal under distressing circumstances reminds one of his great past. Unfortunately he never recovered after the failure of the People's Bank but before those unfortunate times he led the Punjab in the advanced politics of India. A man of rare courage and unconquerable grit, which he maintained to the end, has been lost to this country but the rising generations with their new outlook on life would require in very great measure the two great qualities which he had, courage and invincible fortitude and I hope that Punjab will always remember him for his earlier greatness rather than think of his subsequent unfortunate decline.—A. P.

Reported Desecration Of Idol

NOAKHALI, February 18. Information has been received here of desecration of an idol of goddess "Kali" at Barahiganj Bazaar within the Befunganj Police Station.

It is reported, on Monday night some unknown persons forced their way into the temple of 'Kali' and broke the idol to pieces. The head of the idol is still missing. Two persons of the locality have so far been arrested in this connection.—United Press.

RESERVE BANK RATE REMAINS UNCHANGED

BOMBAY, February 18. The Reserve Bank of India rate is unchanged at 3 per cent per annum.—A.P.

divisibility of the Crown, S. A. T. Congress Protest

A protest against the proposed measures has been made to the Government by the South African Indian Congress deputation now in Capetown. Referring to Gen. Pienaar's Bill the Congress points out that the measure would create an unnatural restraint, seriously affecting Indian commercial activities. The second bill, the Congress contends, is unnecessary as land owned by these women is an infinitesimal percentage compared to the total area.

DINSHA WATCHA ROAD

One Road On Back Bay Reclamation To Be Named In Memory Of Veteran Congressman

Four new roads on the Back Bay Reclamation Scheme are proposed to be named as under by the Municipal Commissioner: (1) The 135 "feet road along the sea-wall"—It is proposed to name this "Marine Drive" instead of "Marina" as previously suggested by Government. The name now proposed is more appropriate and suggestive of the location of the road.

(2) The "Road in continuation of Church Gate Street"—Under Corporation Resolution dated the 8th October 1935, the Corporation had resolved to name this road "Dinsha Wacha Road" after the late Sir Dinsha Wacha, Government have now suggested that it will be more appropriate to call it "Church Gate Street" as that would preserve the continuity of name throughout the existing Church Gate Street and its extension.

(3) The 80 "feet road running east and west in Block No. 2 from Queen's Road to the sea-wall"—This will be one of the most important roads in the scheme and it will be named "Dinsha Wacha Road."

(4) The 120 "feet road in Block No. 2 running from Church Gate Station to the south-west"—The entrance to the stadium of the Cricket Club of India takes off from this road at its north-east end and as H. H. the Maharaja of Patiala has been the prime mover in establishing this Club and arranging for the construction of the Stadium, Government have suggested that it would be appropriate to associate his name with the road by calling it "Patiala Road."

From the Meerut District East General Rural constituency. Choudhri Raghubans Narain Singh (Congress) was declared elected to the U. P. Legislative Assembly. He polled 12,274 votes and his rivals Mr. Jagadshpal Singh and Mr. Ramchandra Securing 7,577 votes and 2 votes respectively. The Polling to the Agra province "Zamindars" Association Allahabad constituency in the Provincial Legislative Assembly was held to-day.

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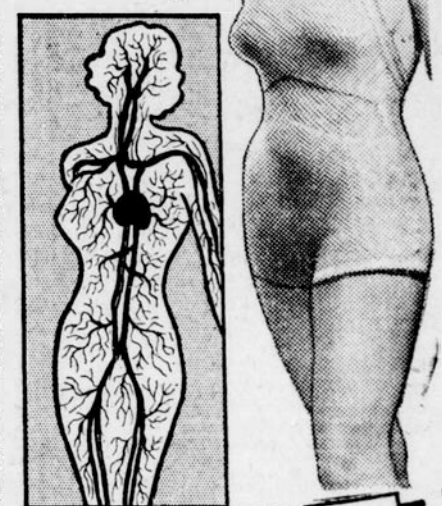
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2nd Race: 2-30 p.m.

THE TOWN PLATE, Div. III.—Distance 7 furlongs. Winner Rs. 2,500; second Rs. 750; third Rs. 500. A Handicap for Arabs in Classes I and II. Hakim Pasha 9-4, King Ghazi 9-0, Nur Jehan 9-0, Fair Play 8-11, Kanz al Muluk 8-9, Milat 8-9, The Knut 8-8, Riyad II 8-7, Ghof al Sa'ad 8-7, Lookman 8-4, Desert Prince 7-7 and Glory 7-4.

3rd Race: 3-0 p.m.

THE MORLAND PLATE.—Distance 1 mile. Winner Rs. 3,500; second Rs. 1,250; third Rs. 500. A Handicap for Horses in Class III. Assault-at-Arms 9-4, Tatyoon 9-3, Nabab 9-3, Silverfoot 8-0, Myron 9-2, Soltero 7-7, Coolart 9-0, Rigolotta 8-12, Mr. Pip 8-7, Devastate 8-7, Oasis 8-4, Flare 8-4, Ashvaraj 8-0, Heremia 7-7, Cymro 7-4 and Irish Ford 7-4.

4th Race: 3-30 p.m.

THE LLOYD PLATE.—Distance 1 mile. Winner Rs. 10,000; second Rs. 3,500; third Rs. 1,500. For Horses 4 years old and upwards. W. A. reduced 12 lbs. Penalties.—Winner of a race after 31st March, 1934, value Rs. 15,000 or over, 10 lbs. extra. Allowances.—Horses which have not won a Class I race allowed 7 lbs. Zuyder Zee 9-1, Count Ito 9-1, Synagogue 9-1, Light Sussex 8-8, Pougachev 8-5, Multissimo 8-2, Rosecrag 7-9 and Zem Zem 7-3.

5th Race: 4-0 p.m.

THE TURF CLUB CUP.—Distance 1 3/4 miles. A Cup value Rs. 1,000, or in specie at the option of the Winner and Rs. 12,000, from the Fund. Winner, the Cup and Rs. 8,000; second Rs. 3,000; third Rs. 1,000. A Handicap for Arabs in Class I. Legion of Honour 9-4, Jahan Ara

9-1, Al Muqbil 9-1, Firpo 9-0, Nasirwan 8-4, Krishna 8-0, Bushboos 7-11, Flery Face 7-11, The Viceroy 7-11 and Zozan 7-4.

6th Race: 4-30 p.m.

THE MANSFIELD PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs. Winner Rs. 10,000; second Rs. 3,500; third Rs. 1,500. A Handicap for Horses in Class I. Diamond Shower 9-0, Tetrazone 8-12, Black Peril 8-8, Chou Rose 8-3, Cartoon 8-2, Cercello 8-2, Teller 8-1, Glanely 7-12, and Reaction 7-9.

7th Race: 5-0 p.m.

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8th Race: 5-30 p.m.

THE MANTON PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs. Winner Rs. 6,000; second Rs. 2,000; third Rs. 1,000. A Handicap for Horses in Class II. Myrrh 9-5, Sarason 9-4, Kum Bak Hero 7-13, Himat 8-13, Kum Bak 8-11, Barra Sahib 8-11, Dinos 8-10, Greek Artist 8-9, Danny Boy 8-9, Heritage 8-7, Harem 7-9, Redress 8-7, Maid of Orleans 8-7, Question Mark (late Brecknock) 8-5, Staff Officer 8-5, Masquerader 8-3, Karaway 7-11, Killfane 7-11 and Mythical Monk 7-7.

9th Race: 6-0 p.m.

THE TOWN PLATE, Div. I.—Distance 7 furlongs. Winner Rs. 6,000; second Rs. 2,000; third Rs. 1,000. A Handicap for Arabs in Classes I and II. White Flower 9-10, Reform 9-5, Vershan 9-0, Karam Allah 9-0, Mamuk al Iraq 9-0, Samra Layali 8-13, Burgess 8-11, Hussan al Iraq 8-7, Queen Singer 7-7, Blanche 8-4, The Duke 8-2, Dilawar 8-0, Funny Face 8-2, Amirulmulk 7-13, Al Hazar 7-13, Green Lawn 7-11, Imperial 7-10, Adhba II 7-9, Aziza 7-7, Al Ghazi 7-7, Rajput 7-7, and No Limit 7-4.

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Delhi Programme

VUD 340.13 metres, 882 kc/s. 8-0 a.m. Recitation from the Quran-I-Sharif. (Text and translation.) By Qari Mohammad Yusuf. 8-15 Indian Music. (Recorded.) 9-0 Talk (Hindustani): "Man and the Land." No. 2. By Rao Bahadur B. Viswanath. 9-15 K. C. Dey of Calcutta. Classical and Light Music. K. C. Dey is the well-known blind singer of Bengal and the hero of the film "Dhup Chhaon." 9-50 AIR Orchestra. Basant Mukhari. 10-0 Zohra Khatoon. Classical and Light Music. She is a famous film star of Bombay. 1-0 p.m. "Mixed Favourites." (Recorded.) 2-0 AIR Orchestra. Barwa Pili. 2-10 Abid Hussain. Thumari. Pili—Dadra. 2-20 Bhim Plasi On Sarangi. 2-30 Zohra Khatoon. Light Music. 5-0

DR. OTTO SAMSON IN BURMA

RANGOON, Feb. 17. Dr. Otto Samson, an eminent Ethnologist and Anthropologist, who has been touring India and Tibet for sometime since the winter of 1935 as a Tweedie Exploration Fellow of the University of Edinburgh, arrived at Rangoon a few days ago. The main object of his visit to Burma is to study the Shans, and to collect specimens for the Museums. Dr. Samson spent a couple of years in China about five years ago. He will shortly proceed to Upper Burma to study the life and customs of the Shans and intend to remain there till the advent of the monsoon. Recently, he spent sometime in Mayurbhanj where he collected implements, old and new for Edinburgh Museum.—United Press.

1st News and Weather Report (English). 5-10 1st News and Weather Report (Hindustani). 5-20 AIR Orchestra. Aiman Kalyan. 5-30 Abid Hussain. Khayal Bhopali—Thumri. Behag—Dadra. 6-0 Jai Jai Vanti On Sitar. 6-10 Aziz-ur-Rahman. "Lazim hai kuchh to khatir-i-didar ke lie. Dunya samet lun nigah-i-yar ke lie." (Jigar). 6-20 Zohra Khatoon. Light Music and Folk Songs (Punjabi). 7-0 "For Villagers Only." (Time Signal and Delhi Market Rates at 7-30 p.m.) 8-0 Talk (Hindustani): "New Hindi Books." By Jainendra Kumar. 8-15 AIR Orchestra. Naiki Kandra. 8-30 K. C. Dey of Calcutta. Classical and Light Music. 9-15 2nd News and Weather Report (Hindustani). 9-30 2nd News and Weather Report (English). 9-45 Talk (English): "New Books." By Harold Loukes. 10-0 "Cavallaria Rusticana." By Mascagni. (Recorded by the Principals, Chorus and Orchestra of the British National Opera Company.)

Mysore Programme

7 to 9 P.M. (I) Hindustani Music. (II) Co-operation By Mr. B. R. Subba Rao, M.A.

Phohi Programme

(Wavelength 16.88m.) 18-0 National anthem—Opening announcement. 18-10 A Dutch Cabaret Programme. 18-30 Talk by Mr. A. Cohen. 18-50 News Items. 19-0 Talk. 19-20 Cabaret Programme Contd. 19-40 Meeting of the Phohi Club.

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Latest Gallops At Mahaluxmi

Vendetta, Zuyder Zee And Tetrazone Work Well

("Chronicle" Track Correspondent)

The following gallops were noted at Mahaluxmi through the week.

ASSAULT-AT-ARMS (O'Neale) held the advantage over COMPLET (Brace) at the end of a brisk nine furlongs' gallop on the race-track.

COTYS (Burn) traversed a mile and a-half at a good pace on the race track. Has never been better.

VENDETTA (Sibbritt) had IRISH BROADCAST (Jones) well beaten over a mile. The former should figure prominently in the Cup race on Saturday.

CARIOCA (Selby) proved superior to CAMPING (Whiteside) in a nine furlongs' spin. The former is right back at his best again.

ZUYDER ZEE (C. Hoyt) gave a speedy display when accounting for CARTOON over the six. Must run well again.

TETRAZONE (Sibbritt), ROSECRAG (Bona), BLACK PERIL (Gethin) had a stripped trial over the six when the first two finished well together. They are very well just now.

REACTION (Burn) was always going too well for MASQUERADER (R. Boy) in a fast dash over the six.

COUNT ITO (Burn) pleased in a rattling mile gallop. Fit and well.

HIMAT (Whiteside) beat MIS-TRAL II (Selby) in a run over the seven. Latter wants time to come on.

MULTISSIMO (C. Hoyt) had DANNY BOY (Sibbritt) comfortably beaten over six furlongs.

HERITAGE (Brace) failed to hold HAREM (O'Neale) in a six furlongs dash. Latter has improved.

REDRESS (Evans) showed plenty of speed for five furlongs. Must be thereabouts on Saturday if in the mood to gallop.

ON TIME (Mendoza) had MR. PIP (Selby) on the stretch for nine furlongs.

RIGOLETTA (Sibbritt) was in front of JELAL SHAH (Lightfoot) at the end of seven furlongs.

JAHAN ARA (Burn) strode out in resolute fashion over the mile and a half on the race track.

AL MUQBIL (Burn) travelled ten furlongs at a strong pace in taking style.

FIERY FACE (Simmons) outstayed THE VICEROY (Marrable) over the mile and a half. Former must show up in the Turf Club Cup race.

ZOZAN (Britt) found poor company over the ten furlongs.

FIRPO (Selby) gave all round satisfaction when galloped a mile and a half on the race-track.

NASSIRWAN (Brace) did a fair run over the mile and a quarter.

FUNNY FACE (R. Boy) was superior to ORIENT (C. Hoyt) in a half mile spurt.

TAJ SHAMAMA (Burn) and ARGONAUT (Flynn) contested 7 furlongs when the former impressed.

RAJPUT (R. Boy) covered a fast six furlongs in good time. Has improved.

MAMLUK AL IRAQ (Britt) gave an impressive display when sent seven furlongs.

BURGESS (Harding) pleased in a seven furlongs gallop.

MIJLAT (Brace) and HAVANA (Harding) were well together at the end of a fast seven on the race track.

VERSHAN (Selby) moved like a fit horse over the sprint course.

SAMRA LAYALI (Selby) gave a speedy display for seven furlongs.

AL BARMAKI (Sibbritt) went seven furlongs and gave satisfaction.

KARACHI INFECTED WITH PLAGUE

A telegram from the Government of India says that Karachi has been declared to be infected with Plague from February 7.

The wife of Mr. Edward Lee, a centenarian, of Ridgway, Pittsburgh, has given birth to twins.

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ENGAGEMENTS

To-Day

Hindu: Magh Shud 8, 1937
Muslim: Jilhej 7, 1366
Parsi: Sherever 17, 1366
Hightide: 5-21; 19-32
Lowtide: —; 12-17
Sunrise: 7h. 5m.
Sunset: 6h. 40m.
Imperial Indian Citizenship Association: Meeting to protest against the anti-Indian Legislation of the Government of Zanzibar, Mayor presiding, Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall, 6 p.m.
Bombay Legislative Council Election: Counting of votes for all constituencies, 8 a.m.
Municipal Corporation, 3-40 p.m.

Saturday, February 20.
S. Viceroy of India with homeward mails sails at 1 p.m.
Bombay Races: Big Meeting, Last Day.
Municipal Schools Committee, 3-10 p.m.

Monday, February 22.
Bakri-Id: Public Holiday, Banks closed.

Tuesday, February 23.
Bombay Legislative Assembly Election: Counting of votes. All Constituencies other than general constituencies and Women's (General) Constituencies, Town Hall, 8 a.m.

Wednesday, February 24.
Bombay Legislative Assembly Election: Counting of Votes, General Constituencies, 8 a.m.

NOTICE TO JURYMEN
Special Jurors' attention is drawn to the notice appearing in the Public Notification Column.

"OUR MOON"
A public lecture on "Our Moon," will be delivered in English with slides demonstration, by Mr. Padam S. M. Godree to-morrow (Saturday), at 6-30 p.m. at Bhavasky Hall, French Bridge, Chawpatty. Those attending any three lectures of the series are entitled to attend a Lecture with Telescopic view of Celestial Scenery.

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CENTRAL—"Takaram." Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

EMPIRE—"Little Miss Nobody." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

EXCELSIOR—"All In" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

IMPERIAL—"Dishonour Bright." Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

MAJESTIC—"Dharmaveer." Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

MINERVA—"Dalit Kusum." Daily at 5-30, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

PATHE—"The Jungle Princess." Daily at 5-30, 8 and 10 p.m.

PLAZA—"Clutching Hand." Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m.

REGAL—"Dishonour Bright." Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

ROYAL—"Pratima." Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

ROYAL OPERA—"Izzat." Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.

WELLINGTON—"Dharmaveer." Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.

SRI RANJANI SABHA

To meet the artists who made the recent Thyagaraja Utsavam success, there will be an at home party on Sunday, the 21st inst. at Vinodhi Kunj, at 5-30 p.m.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

The O.S.K. Steamer "Koshin Maru" left Miki on February 16 and is due to arrive in Bombay on February 28 via Penang and Colombo.

The O.S.K. Steamer "Hague Maru" left Singapore on February 15 and is due to arrive in Bombay on February 28 via Penang and Colombo.

H.P.T. GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL

The annual prize distribution gathering of the Hansraj Pranghi Bhaskerjee Girls' High School will be held at the Bhangwadi Theatre, Kabbadevi Road, to-day (Friday), at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) Diwan Bahadur Krishnadas Mohanlal Zaveri will preside and distributed the prizes.

SCOUT BROADCAST

On Tuesday, 23rd instant Mr. Padam S. Pavri, B.A., District Scoutmaster, Bombay, will give a broadcast talk at 8-15 a.m. on "Baden-Powell—Chief Scout." He will speak in Gujarati.

RAHNUMA-I MAZDAYASAN

Under the auspices of the Rahnuma-i Mazdayasnan Sabha, Prof. P. A. Wadia, M.A., will deliver a public lecture in English at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute (Sukhadvala Building, Ravelin Street, Fort).

Today (Friday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) on "Paris and the Problem of Poverty."

"VITA" INCIDENT CLAIMS

The Jt. Hon. Secretaries of the Passengers' and Traffic Relief Association write:—

Persons who had filed their claims for personal injury or loss in the s.s. "Vita" incident are hereby informed that payment of such claims, as decided by the Committee of the Passengers' and Traffic Relief Association, will be paid to them, at the Office of the Association, at Albert Building, Hornby Road, Fort, on working days between 11 to 6 p.m. They are, therefore, requested to call in person at the Office and take away the amount due to them.

GAUDIYA MISSION

H. H. Tridandi Swami Shreeam Bhakti Vilash Gavastr Nemi Maharaj, the renowned preacher of Shree Gaudiya Math, Bombay, will hold in Hindi discourses on Shreeam Bhagabat at the Luxmi-Narayan-Temple, Santa Cruz, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the 19th, 20th and 21st instant at 8-30 p.m.

AIR MAIL POSTAL NOTICE

As the Imperial Airways Eastbound plane due to arrive Karachi on 18-2-1937, has been delayed for 24 hours, the London-India air mails which were due to be received in Bombay on the 19-2-1937 will be received here and issued for delivery by the Bombay G.P.O. at 1-30 hours on the 20-2-1937 in the ordinary course.

The latest hours of posting air mail correspondence for Hyderabad Deccan and Madras at the Bombay G.P.O. will be as shown below:—

Ordinary correspondence 11-30 hours on 20-2-1937.
Registered correspondence 11-40 hours on 20-2-1937.

PRABASHI BANGALI SANGHA

The Bengalee residents of the Southern section of the city started a club under the name of "Prabashi Bangali Sangha." The Sangha is providing an up-to-date library, reading room, indoor and outdoor games, etc., and is located at Cooper Bldg., near Krishna Taluk. The first annual general meeting of the Sangha was held on 7th instant with Mr. J. C. Maitra in the chair, where the Secretary's report and audited statement of accounts were read and adopted. A committee was formed for 1937 as under:—

President:—Mr. A. T. Bej.
Vice President:—(1) Mr. B. C. Shyam, (2) Mr. R. C. Basak.
Hon. Treasurer:—Mr. R. N. Mukherjee.
Hon. Secretaries:—(1) Mr. M. L. Das, (2) Mr. S. R. Bhattacharjee.

ALL INDIA SRIVASTAVA DUSEE CONFERENCE

The Reception Committee of the All India Sri Chitra Gupta Vanshi Srivastava Dusee Karyash Conference, Calcutta, has elected Mr. Jagmohan Lal, District and Session Judge, Bhilsa, Gwalior Estate, as President of the 2nd Session of the Conference to be held on 24th and 25th of March 1937. All the Sobhas and local Bradhari are requested to send the list of the delegates and resolutions before the 15th of March, to Dr. N. L. Sinha, General Secretary.



La Meri—the celebrated danseuse of international dances who opens her short season at the Capitol this Saturday

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(By A SUBURBAN MAN).

"Dear Suburban Man," writes a correspondent, "now that the Assembly elections are over, I would like to bring to your notice the Suburban Municipalities' Triennial Elections that are to be held this year. You have in this column been harping many times about the question of bringing the electoral rolls up-to-date. But, alas, very little has been done about it. These electoral rolls are notorious for their sins of commission and omission and on the day of election bring dead men to life."

My correspondent further states: "Though the rolls are subject to constant supervision, the procedure for doing so is far from satisfactory, and as most of our suburban municipalities are amalgamated bodies with an unequal representation, the preparation of such rolls leaves a very suspicious situation." My correspondent states he takes all such points into consideration, and to obviate all suspicions he suggests that "it would be better if the task of preparing and supervising the rolls would be veiled in the office of the Collector of the Bombay Suburban District."

Having up-to-date electoral rolls is now beginning to occupy the

attention of the public and, I think, it is time that the suburban municipalities took up this question seriously right now, in order to avoid the rowdy scenes which some of our municipalities of late have witnessed.

YOUNG MEN'S SODALITY.

Catholic Bandra is full of Catholic activities. Yesterday a correspondent sent to my office the first report of the Young Men's Sodality of St. Peter's Church, Bandra.

This report is a very creditable one and gives the full history of this Sodality, which, though only in its childhood, has a very enterprising report.

The Sodality has many activities both religious and social, but the principal activity is a "Press Section." This comprises the sale and distribution of Catholic literature. It has a debating section, which is meant to contribute to the spiritual advancement of the Sodality. Also a Hospital Section, the members of which visit the local hospital with the idea of alleviating the sufferings of the sick. In short, it not only contributes towards religious but also tackles educational and social problems.

W. I. LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Matches For To-day

QUEEN'S ROAD COURTS.

AT 4-00 P. M.

CENTRE COURT:—Y. R. Saur v. V. Stewart Jacks followed by—E. V. Bobb v. M. L. Laljee followed by—M. Take v. M. L. Phansalkar.

COURT NO. 1:—A. E. Browne v. D. C. Bachuwar or G. D. Bhagat followed by:—N. N. Ghorpade v. E. Fernandes followed by:—Y. R. Saur and A. G. Gupte v. K. M. Merchant and G. L. Merchant.

COURT NO. 4:—O. Stevens or M. H. Kajji v. D. Stillard or L. R. Pereria followed by:—R. K. Sanghani v. Sholapur "A".

COURT NO. 5:—S. S. Indulkar or S. P. Kapadia v. N. D. Sirur or N. R. Suvarna followed by:—R. Chandra v. V. O. Sirur.

COURT NO. 6:—Sardar M. B. Deshmukh v. S. K. Phansalkar followed by:—Miss Dubash v. Mrs. Foster.

TO PLAY ON FIRST AVAILABLE COURTS:—A. E. Browne and D. Stillard v. Lalit Kumar and R. M. Khatau.

J. M. Lee v. B. McIntyre.

Cricket At Lonavla

(From A Correspondent.)

LONAVLA. (By Mail).

Interesting one day cricket was played at Lonavla on Sunday last between the Maharashtra Young Cricketers of Bombay and Combined Lonavla XI and resulted in a win for the former by 93 runs.

Reservation Of Seats On Madras Express

The G. I. P. Railway propose to extend the scheme of the reservation of seats in the Inter and third class to the daily Madras Express trains on and from 1st March, 1937. Passengers desiring to reserve seats will be able to purchase tickets one day in advance at Victoria Terminus or

Madras, as the case may be, for which facility an additional charge of Annas Four per seat will be made. Reservations made from Victoria Terminus may be utilised for joining the train at Byculla or Dadar if more convenient to passengers.

AHMEDABAD-PRANTEJ RAILWAY

Directors Recommend Final Dividend Of 11 Per Cent

The forty second ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Ahmedabad-Prantej Railway Company, Limited was held on Thursday afternoon at the registered office of the Company. Mr. F. F. Stileman presided.

The chairman, in his speech, stated that there was an increase in the number of passengers and the weight of merchandise carried and that the resultant earnings compared very favourably with those of the two previous years. Earnings from tonnage carried, he said, were the highest ever achieved by the company.

He added that the increase of over Rs. 50,000 in the goods earnings compared with last year was due to greater inward traffic of coal, cotton seeds, rice, sugar, etc., and the outward bookings of groundnuts, especially to Bhavnagar.

Balance of the net profits available for distribution together with the sum carried forward from the previous year, amounting in all to Rs. 1,92,033-15-4, had enabled the directors to recommend a final dividend of 11 per cent. per annum (making 10 per cent. for the year) and also a bonus for the second half year at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.

Sir Kikabhai Premchand, Mr. Ambalal Sarabhai and Mr. R. C. Lowndes were re-elected as Directors.

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BOMBAY GOVERNMENT GAZETTE APPOINTMENTS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Mr. F. J. Punter, Inspector of Police in the Motor Vehicles Department, Bombay City, was appointed to officiate as Superintendent of Police, Motor Vehicles Department, Bombay City, from the 23rd January 1937 to the 3rd February 1937, inclusive, vice Mr. E. Sheehy on leave.

Mr. W. Dillon I.C.S., is granted leave on average pay for two months and twenty-eight days with effect from the 27th February 1937 or the subsequent date on which he may be relieved.

The following have been appointed to the Civil Branch of the Indian Medical Service with effect from the dates stated against their names:—

Major R. C. Wats, 6th March 1936. Major J. E. Gray, 1st February 1936. Major T. A. Doran, 11th June 1936. Lieutenant-Colonel B. Z. Shah I.M.S., Superintendent of Mahabaleshwar, is appointed to officiate as Civil Surgeon, Poona, and Superintendent, B. J. Medical School, Poona, vice Lieutenant-Colonel R. H. Candy, I.M.S., appointed to officiate as Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay, pending assumption of charge of the last-mentioned post by Colonel H. C. Buckley, I.M.S.

The following Deputy Superintendents of Police should be treated as having been permanently transferred to the Government of Sind with effect from the 1st April, 1936:—

Substantive: Mr. Maqboolkhan, Selection Grade. Khan Bahadur J. R. Sukhla, Selection Grade. Khan Saheb Muhammad Hussain Shah Naqvi, Mr. W. H. Brotherston, Mr. K. R. Eates, Mr. Gokaldas Wadhwanal Phulwar, Mr. Bhagwandas Premchand, Mr. H. A. Critchell, Mr. Didar Husain Khan Allahdad Khan.

Officiating: Mr. Maula Baksh Khan Mir Kadir Baksh Khan.

Mr. D. Y. Pradhan, Officiating Aval Karkun, Mokhada Mahal in the district of Thana, is appointed, to be a Magistrate of the Third Class in that District.

Mr. B. G. Kawathekar is appointed to act as Survey and Settlement Officer in charge of the survey of the woodland plots in the Thana District from 21st December 1936 vice Mr. A. K. Lonkar transferred.

Captain M. Jafar, I.M.S., is appointed temporarily as a supernumerary officer in the Port Health Department, Bombay, with effect from the afternoon of the 20th January 1937.

Mr. G. M. A. Shaikh, and Dr. N. V. Patel, are appointed to be Honorary Surgeon and Honorary Physician respectively at the Civil Hospital, Broach, for two years with effect from the dates on which they assume charge of their duties.

The names of the following gentlemen have been entered on the Roll of Advocates maintained under the provisions of the Indian Bar Councils Act, 1926:—

Mr. Bhanuchandra Kashidas Thakkar, LL.B.

Mr. Rashiklal Dahyabhai Mehta, LL.B.

Mr. Balkrishna Janardhan Abhyankar, LL.B. (Nagpur).

Leave on average pay ex-India, Ceylon or Nepal for eight months followed by leave on half average pay for one month and eight days is hereby granted to Mr. M. N. Desai, B.A., LL.B., Income-tax Officer, Surat City, with effect from 1st March 1937.

Mr. M. S. H. Modi, M.B.B.S. (Bom.), M.C.S. (Eng.), D.T.M., & H. (Lond.), is reappointed as Part-time Lecturer in Medicine, B. J. Medical School, Poona, for a further period of five years with effect from 1st April 1937.

Mr. C. K. Patel, M.B.B.S., on the expiry of his leave, has been posted as Lecturer in Materia-Medica at the B. J. Medical School, Ahmedabad, with effect from the forenoon of 1st February 1937, vice Mr. S. D. Mehta, M.C.P.S. (Bom.), who has been relieved of his additional duties as Lecturer in Materia-Medica with effect from the same date.

Taxi Drivers Have Their Own Workshop

(From A Correspondent.)

Being the principal object of the Bombay Taxi Drivers' Union to provide all Taxi drivers as well as motor drivers in Bombay with such facilities in the matter of motor repair, painting, etc., it was contemplated that a suitable workshop should be started under its auspices. Two of the members of the Taxi Drivers' Union have now set a-foot a workshop, where painting and spraying work to begin with will be done. The workshop is located at 166, Sassoon Dock, Colaba, Bombay, and its name is Radium Garage.

At its opening ceremony was performed on Tuesday night when Mr. Jhabvala, Secretary of the B. T. D. Union, delivered an address explaining the objects of the Union.

Mr. Liakat Husain, the President of the Union, then congratulated Radium Garage on its venture and wished it all success.

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RAILWAY ADMINISTRATION

The debate in the Assembly on the Railway budget has not so far been sufficiently critical or otherwise impressive, thanks, evidently to the absence of any speaker from the Congress Party. Much of the discussion was vague and too general, and little attention was paid to the distinctive features of the budget presented to the House. It is notable, however, that few members have found any reason for jubilation over the surplus in the budget, though it has been a rare feature these many years. Even the representative of the Railway group felt constrained to remark that "there was no justification for exaggerating the importance of the improvement that had taken place in the past four months." The danger should be guarded against of a surplus budget being made an excuse for not effecting necessary and possible economies in the administration.

Freight Policy

The point that was most emphasised by the speakers was the defective rates and freight policy of the Railway Board. Mr. N. M. Joshi pointed out how the policy of giving greater attention to imports and exports than to internal trade, which had its origin in the early days of the Indian railways when they were designed to develop a market in India for British manufactured goods, still survived to a large extent. If Government paid due attention, he said, to internal trade, particularly of the small unorganised industries which engage millions of people, there would be enough scope not only for railways and buses but even for bullock-carts, and if all these necessary means of transport were properly co-ordinated, the problem of rail-road competition would not arise. The need for a radical change in the freight policy has often been urged by several industrial and commercial organisations and was supported only last year by the Agent of the Bengal Nagpur Railway, who contended that a complete review of railway freight policy was essential in view of the vast change in Indian trading conditions during the last few years. The representative of the European group also suggested

how the railways could offer many facilities to the business community with much advantage to the country as a whole. Probably the present expert inquiry committee will have something to say in support of this point. But we doubt if the recommendations of a committee from which all Indians are deliberately excluded will go far enough to improve the present policy.

Extravagance

Easily the worst feature of the railway administration that has persisted for years past is its reckless extravagance, which in its turn is due to the railway services being predominantly non-Indian and not responsible constitutionally to the Indian people. One of the many evil results of this feature in recent times is the series of huge deficits since 1929-30 and the consequent raids on the Depreciation Fund and failure to contribute anything to the general revenues as provided for in the separation convention. And now it is quietly proposed to write off the loans from the Depreciation Fund amounting to a little over 31 crores and also the unpaid but due contributions to the general revenues till the end of 1936-37, amounting to nearly 31 crores. The writing off of the former amount is open to the objection that it tends to deplete a necessary Fund built up with great difficulty. But at the same time it may be said that after all it is only a transference of an amount from one section of the railway department to another. The proposal to write off the second amount, however, is a more serious matter as it amounts to an act of expropriation by the separated railway department of its legitimate dues to the other departments of Government. If it is contended that unless the amount is written off there will not be, under the present provisions of the separation convention, any contribution, for several years to come, to the general revenues from the railways, the right remedy is to alter the provisions without involving the loss of past contributions. We trust this aspect of the question will be carefully scrutinised by the elected members of the Assembly.

British Privileges Safe

Mr. Butler's speech in the Commons on the Indo-Burman Trade Regulation Order contained several significant observations. Proposing the continuance of "status quo" as regards Indo-Burman trade for a period of three years, he admitted that the interests of the two countries were indissolubly bound together as two-thirds of Burma's rice, all her oil and 80 per cent. of her teak was marketed in India. Surely, these very facts provide a self-evident condemnation of the British Government's policy of separating Burma from India. That apart, Mr. Butler's speech was significant for the sympathetic assurances he gave to the British interests, who want the advantage of a lower tariff wall in cotton textile and also steel products. Sir Henry Page-Croft, die-hard capitalist, shed a few crocodile tears over the fiscal "exploitation" of Burma by India, and wanted to know why "Burma should be penalized by big tariffs on British textiles." Saying that in eight years British trade with In-

dia and Burma would be entirely lost, he asked for a categorical pledge that when discussions were held, Mr. Butler and Mr. Runciman would use all the economic powers of Britain and the British Colonial Empire "to see that some vestige of our great trade was preserved." Major Procter, another Imperialist, went further and urged the use of "strong arm methods" if India and Burma did not give them a "fair deal." The most interesting remark was made by Sir Alfred Knox, who asked why Burma was to be tied to the fiscal apron strings of India. Why not fiscal freedom for Burma, he asked, when we are giving it to India? Why not, indeed? Mr. Butler's assurance to these worthy gentlemen that Lancashire interests would not be lost sight of just shows what exactly they mean by "fiscal freedom." It is unlikely, of course, that the Secretary of State for India would allow any encroachment on the economic supremacy of Britain. Britannia cannot afford to lose a dependency tied to her fiscal apron-strings.

The Zanzibar Peril

The public meeting of the citizens of Bombay that is to be held to-day under the auspices of the Imperial Indian Citizenship Association to protest against the anti-Indian legislation of the Government of Zanzibar is being convened not a day too soon. The danger of 'disinheritance' that faces Indian nationals in Zanzibar is nothing new in the long history of British Colonial policy. The decrees of 1934 seek to rob Indian traders of the position they built up by their pioneer work in the clove trade. These decrees also seek to deprive Indians of their right to acquire lands, a right they have enjoyed for long. The repeated extensions of the moratorium further restrict their right to recover the legi-

itimate debts due to them. A worse example of unfair racial discrimination is hard to find. Any such decrees could be promulgated by any Government against the nationals of any other country only at its own peril, had the Government of the victimised nationals been responsible to the people of that country. But governed as she is by the "subordinate branch of the British Government," India to-day is helpless effectively to protect her nationals abroad. She can only voice her protest. But all protests become futile if they are not backed up by effective and energetic Government action. Who can say that the Government of India have been earnest enough in safeguarding the Indian case on the Zanzibar issue? The pace at which the anti-

Our Readers' Views

"Abdur Rahman Mitha Abused And Threatened"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"
Sir,—I regret to find that an absolutely incorrect account has appeared in your journal of yesterday's date, in connection with certain incidents alleged to have taken place at the Anjuman-i-Islam Polling Booth, said to have been given by an eye-witness. In the first place I desire to point out that I was not in the Anjuman-i-Islam Polling Booth after 4 p.m. in the afternoon, but was continuously in the Ladies' Polling Booth from 4 p.m. till 6-45 in the evening. How could this eye-witness therefore state that I was present and silent when the alleged disturbances are reported to have taken place?

The account given is absolutely untrue and I am surprised that a journal of the standing of the "Bombay Chronicle" should have given publicity to such vilification of the League workers and the Leaders. It is, if I may point out, inconsistent with the privilege and the liberty of the Press to give publicity to such malicious and false accounts without taking the trouble of verifying them. As far as I have been able to gather from my enquiries Mr. Abdur Rahman Mitha, egged on by Mr. Brelvi's workers, who it seems was heavily losing at that Polling Booth as the end of polling time was drawing near was indulging in uncomplimentary remarks about those Mussalmans workers who were working against Mr. Brelvi, and this undoubtedly created great resentment to some of them, and then somebody came to inform Mr. Jinnah who was sitting far away right at the other end of the Polling Booth that this might lead to disorder, so Mr. Jinnah and other workers who were sitting there at once asked Mr. Hussainbhoy Laljee to go and see to it, and within a few minutes the excitement subsided.—Yours, etc.,

RAHIMTOOLA CHINYOY.

Bombay February 18.

Late Mr. M. F. Pithawala

(BY R. B. PAYMASTER.)

Mr. Munchershaw Fakirji Pithawala, well-known as a portrait painter died on Saturday at the age of 65. He was educated at the Bombay School of Art for 11 years under the late Mr. Griffiths, after which he submitted at the Bombay Art Exhibition his work in water-colour and oil-painting for a number of years and gained several medals, and prizes. He was also awarded medals in Art exhibitions at Simla, Darjeeling, Madras etc. In 1905 on the occasion of the visit of Their Royal Highnesses The Prince and Princess of Wales to India an illustrated Album was compiled by him by special engagement and it was presented to H. R. H. by the Indian ladies at the Town Hall, Bombay, about which the Editor of "The Gentlewoman," reproducing six illustrations, stated—"Among Queen Mary's most treasured possessions is a large silver-bound Album, containing 14 exquisite water-colour paintings of Indian ladies of high caste."

EUROPEAN RECOGNITION.

After winning a high reputation in India as a colourist and a painter of rare ability, he went to Europe to study the master-pieces of renowned Masters of Art to be found there and in consequence paid a visit in 1911 to the Galleries in Italy, France, and England. While he was in England he held an exhibition of his own works in the Dore Gallery, London. His work there met with a very warm reception and the rapidly with which his paintings, 26 in number within the short space of three months had been done was particularly commended. He was also awarded 24 gold and silver medals and 45 money prizes at the several Fine Arts Exhibitions. His collection there of 53 pictures, chiefly portraits and sketches, was on his return exhibited in Bombay at the suggestion of the late Lady Clerk under her presidentship, and she praised them highly. The late Sir George Birdwood, who was well acquainted with Mr. Pithawala's work, stated:—"It is absurd, it is wicked, coming to England, for portraits of Bombay worthies when you have portrait painters in Bombay like Mr. M. F. Pithawala, Ex-

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Indian drive is going on there, has justly created nervousness among the Indians. The situation is indeed exceedingly menacing and calls for immediate effective action.

Prospects Of Recovery

A Review Of Economic Situation

By
'Quaestor'

The word "recovery" is on the lips of every one who has anything to do with Mammon. Next to recovery is boom. While Governments and economists are afraid of a boom and eager to prevent it, they were badly in need of a recovery from the Great Depression. Though the year Nineteen-Thirty-Six has been notorious for political upheavals and international betrayals and betrothals, it has been acclaimed on all hands as the dawn of a new era of economic prosperity. Britain and U. S. A. have led the way. Commodities are in better demand all over; money rates are tending to go up, which only the tactics of monetary authorities are delaying; factories are once again operating at capacity; unemployment is decreasing; industrial shares are going up and up; speculators are in the Ring.

Is It Real?

Is this recovery real? Or, is it only the manipulations of speculators and war-mongers? Real it is to this extent—extensive rearmament in almost all countries has increased the demand for commodities and kept manufacturers in breathless activity. It is true the economic cycle has turned a full round. But this recovery is weak in fundamentals. Since the onset of the Great Depression, there has not been any fundamental change in the production, distribution and consumption of materials. There has not been any drastic increase in demand for purposes of human consumption. Of course, there has been a reduction in supply on account of the various restrictive measures adopted in distress by international agreements. Nobody can deny that the lion's share of the present recovery is to be attributed to rearmament, i.e. the development of unproductive industries. Boom precedes and follows a war, inasmuch as construction is necessary both before and after destruction.

Uncertainty

If war comes, economically everything shall have the usual course. Man will destroy whatever he has constructed; suffer immensely; and begin everything anew. But, if war does not come—which is an improbable possibility—this rearmament must stop

some time. No Government can finance the present quota of rearmament indefinitely. No Government can maintain itself on borrowed money indefinitely. When it must stop is a question of individual resources and the temper of the times. And when it does stop, everything else remaining unchanged, this recovery would vanish into thin air, nay, a worse depression must follow. But that may be only in the long run, probably at the next turn of the trade cycle. We are concerned with the immediate trend.

"It seems unlikely that we have yet reached the stage at which the upward trend of industry and trade will be halted." Thus the Rt. Hon. Reginald McKenna addressing the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Midland Bank. He is, however, reported to have admitted that the present recovery is not based on solid foundations in view of the labour shortage and excessive speculation and a possible adverse balance in international payments, though, at the same time, he has dismissed all the three as not to be taken as a signal for a reverse in the present upward trend. The chairman of the Westminster Bank too, has spoken very optimistically of the future, especially about commodities.

Outlook For Commodities

The "Economist" in a recent issue has analysed the rising prices of commodities and has compiled valuable statistics regarding the changes in the commodity prices in the past. The index number of wholesale prices on base 1913 equal 100, stood at 139.3 in 1924, 137.6 in 1927 and 135.1 in 1928. The fall in commodity prices which began after 1924 was greatly aggravated from 1929-31 when the slump began, and in 1932 the index number stood at the low figure of 86.1. The most noteworthy features of the Depression was that there was a similar decline in the prices of manufactured goods, which added to the intensity of the Depression. World demand for commodities has been increasing since 1932-33. Opinions differ as to why it has increased. One irrefutable reason, of course, is rearmament. Prices began to rise gradually and the outstanding stocks to be cleared. Between June 1936 and December 1936 the index number rose from 95.9 to 109.1, after which date, there has been much of speculative purchases. The rise in commodity prices, according to the

"Economist", "has raised the income of producers of raw materials and crude stuffs the world over by some hundreds of millions of pounds." Which, no doubt, has added to the purchasing power of the primary producers. Furthermore, there has not been a corresponding increase in the cost of living or even of manufactured goods, though the latter are more sensitive. In December 1936 the "Economist" index number stood at 109.1, which, it will be noted, is still, 50 below the 1924 level.

India's Share

What with the absence of any rearmament programme, and what with an indifferent Government policy, India has not had her share of recovery as much as Britain or U. S. A. "There was no marked change," states the central board of the Reserve Bank of India in their annual report, "in commodity prices through the year, though at the end of the year it was becoming apparent that the increase in commodity prices in the U. K. was beginning to be reflected in India." Exports of most commodities from India during 1936 have been spectacular. For the first time since the past some years, the balance of overseas trade in favour of India has increased considerably during the first nine months of the financial year 1936-37. At the same time, when almost all the countries were enjoying the benefits of higher commodity prices, India was sorely lagging behind the world. The currency policy of the Government of India has contributed not a little to this unfortunate state of affairs. Be that as it may, from the turn of the new year particularly, India has been witnessing signs of a change for the better. Orders are reported to be pouring into this country for different commodities. In all probability, the war-conscious nations of the world are storing up raw materials to meet any emergency. And the overdue recovery in commodity prices is being reflected, albeit slowly, in India, too. All the same, it is to be borne in mind that what recovery India may have is mainly due to the international tension and the breathless rearmament activity elsewhere.

All things considered, for the present, there is little reason to get alarmed over the chances of a reverse in the upward trend in commodity prices. The development of an over-speculative boom

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

BAN ON VOLUNTEERS

Better very late than never at all. The agreement that was arrived at on February 15 at the meeting of the Chairman's Sub-Committee has, we believe, been endorsed now by the full meeting of the International Non-Intervention Committee. According to it the ban on volunteers for service in Spain should come into operation at midnight of February 20. An agreement that allows five clear days for enforcement can have much of its sting taken out by determined and energetic Powers. And Italy, Germany and Portugal are nothing if not determined and energetic. They are even more than that as has been evident from their continuous and blatant defiance of all international decency in helping the rebels not only with munitions but with battalions of regular soldiers and their navies. Yet the resistance that the democrats of Spain are putting up encourages the hope that the ban will be helpful unless the Fascist international succeeds in smuggling in the meantime a really decisive force. Portugal, however will have to be carefully watched as the dumping centre even after February 20.

UNIQUE OCCASION.

The last Convocation of the Calcutta University was indeed a unique occasion of its type in the annals of Indian universities. For it was the first time when a Convocation Address was delivered in an Indian language. Fittingly enough it was Dr. Rabindranath Tagore who was responsible for

this most welcome innovation, and in the speech he delivered while conferring the degrees he made a spirited plea for the rehabilitation of the 'natural' language of the people as the medium of instructions. "In no country of the world the Poet, rightly observed, 'is this divorce of the language of the pupil to be seen.' At the same time Dr. Tagore laid due emphasis upon the necessity of learning English, 'as the vehicle of Western Science.' We are glad to note that the Vice-Chancellor of the Calcutta University took the opportunity to declare that Bengali will henceforth be the language of instruction and examination in that University. It is to be hoped that the lead given by Bengal will be followed by other provinces.

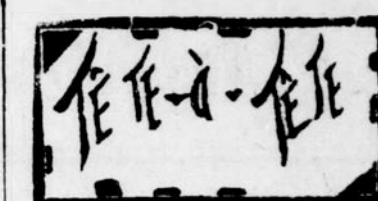
STILL MORE SAFEGUARDS.

Though the report of the Constitution Committee of the Indian States, appointed by the famous Bombay Conference, professes to be satisfied with the safeguards that have been already extended to the Princes, that does not preclude the Committee from making a few further recommendations. "Just to dissipate the fears and allay the doubts which still exist!" The Committee, therefore, suggests the omission of the 'purpose' clause from the proposed Instrument of Accession, and its substitution by a couple of new amendments as proposed and drafted by them. The Committee has also decided to press the request for legal protection, and pleads, as usual, for a further amplification of the question of paramountcy. The Princes are anxious that the relation of the Viceroy vis-a-vis their Order should be not that of an agent of the Federation, but as the personal representative of the Crown. We

have no doubt whatever that those unanimous recommendations of the Committee will be very sympathetically considered by the Government. And, finally, we are quite confident that by the time the Princes deign to execute the Instrument of Accession, the Federation-to-be will be made quite safe for them,—very safe, indeed!

RAHIMTOOLA CHINYOY'S LECTURE.

We publish elsewhere an interesting letter from Sir Rahimtoola Chinoy in regard to "certain incidents alleged to have taken place at the Anjuman-i-Islam Polling Booth." Let us first compliment him on his absence from the scene. But we wish he had stopped there and resisted the temptation of hazarding the last para of his letter. Sir Rahimtoola Chinoy started well with the non-committal "alleged" and "safer" to "but towards the middle he drops them, practically admitting the incidents in so many words. "As far as I have been able to gather from my enquiries," says Sir Rahimtoola, "the expression has a familiar ring—"Mr. Abdur Rahman Mitha, egged on by Mr. Brelvi's workers"—we need not quote more from the letter, but for the fact that he has very solemnly lectured us on "the privilege and liberty of the Press" and on "malicious and false accounts."



WITHOUT COMMENT

A supporter of Dr. Ambedkar thought that Government were out to comb out various criminals in the city by means of the election. Like a good citizen he presented himself at the polling station. When asked by the officer to put crosses opposite any names he liked he sternly refused to do so and replied that he had no previous convictions.

—Election humours.

Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, says a Calcutta message, made history by addressing the students of the Calcutta University in Bengali. Another "history" we find, was made when the Governor of the Punjab invited Sir Sikandar Hayat to form a Ministry. But his Excellency emphatically did not speak in the vernacular.

"We confess we do not remember to have heard the name of Srimati Vidyabati Rathore, Congress candidate, who has defeated Mr. C. Y. Chintamani in the election to the U.P. Legislative Assembly by a large majority" complains a Bengal paper.

But we do hope our contemporary 'has heard the name of the Indian National Congress.

From Assembly Election To The Congress Assembly.

Congress M.L.A.'s have been "whipped" to reach Delhi on the 22nd and resume duty on the 23rd.

How heartless! This Congress will not give even breathing time to our Government.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 17. Presiding as Chancellor, the Governor of Bengal, addressing the Convocation for the last time, said that for over a century and a half it had been a constant feature of the life of this province that its development had been conditioned by the reaction of outside influences and always, or nearly always, reaction to or against external influence had been a stimulus and focus of interest.

—A. P. I. Was His Excellency referring to British dominion?

As a matter of fact he was—but in terms of the beneficent influence of the "third party." (Our compliments to Mr. Jinnah). Although, come to think of it, a "third party," will still exist in the shape of 1900 per cent representation to Europeans.

"NEW DEFENCE" PLAN NOT A WAR MEASURE

Mr. Chamberlain's Defence.

—Headlines. Why, even war itself is never, never a war measure, only an instrument of bringing about lasting peace.

Rules governing submarine warfare and adopted at the 1936 Naval Conference have, says a London message, already been accepted by Britain, the United States, France, Italy, Germany and Japan" in addition to the Soviet.

So that preliminaries are now complete for all rounds in discriminate submerging in the coming war.

Germany Solves Her Oil Problem, says a headline.

By melting the butter which was otherwise intended as the nation's food?

TODAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS (Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) Apropos of the scenes that took place at the Anjuman-i-Islam where Mr. Abdur Rahman Mitha was showered with the choicest of verbal compliments etc., Mr. M. A. Jinnah was present because he wanted to make minute first hand personal inquiries as to who was responsible—the "initiative," you may take it, must most certainly have been taken by Mr. Mitha by for instance wearing Khaddar, and sporting a Chakki badge—for the incident, the League machinery or "some source."

(2) The Justice Party in Madras is faced with the forfeiture of its peace and security.

(3) Herr Hitler has threatened the Scottish workers with evacuation of the Rhine if the Soviet Government accept submarine warfare rules.

"Here's half a crown, waiter. I want you to—" "Reserve a table, sir?" "No, I'll drop in here with a lady in ten minutes. Tell her the tables are all engaged."

Congress 'Chakki' Grinds Exceedingly Well

Mrs. Deshmukh's Big Lead Unparalleled Enthusiasm Evinced By Fair Voters

Leaders Visit Polling Booths

Bombay, Thursday.
General Elections to the Bombay Legislatures under the Government of India Act 1935 concluded on Thursday evening, when thousands in the city of Bombay flocked to the different polling stations in Girgaum Ward to elect their Woman representative to the Bombay Legislative Assembly.

Enthusiasm and excitement on Thursday ran higher than on Wednesday, though the percentage of polling was less. Only 15 thousands out of the 60,000 and odd voters in the Constituency, exercised their franchise, and more than one-fourth of them were women.

At one of the eight polling-booths in the constituency, voting was brisk from early morning, and thousands of men, women and children gathered round, making it a job for the Police to control traffic in the locality. As the day advanced, the rush increased and the shouts raised by those gathered rent the air.

Though there was a good deal of shouting and excitement, polling was uneventful, but for minor breezes here and there. Women in the Ward seemed to take more interest in the polling than men did on Wednesday, as hundreds of them flocked the polling-booths.

'FAIR' IMPERSONATORS.
Some women who tried to impersonate were detected and sent out with a warning not to do so in future and smart election officers were able to detect one or two women who came to vote more than once, dressed in different 'sarees'. These also were allowed to go away after being reprimanded.

The Police near St. Columba School reserved for women, showed very great patience and tact in dealing with the crowds. At other polling-booths, there was a steady stream of voters, since early morning. But voting became very dull after 12 noon; the voting rate being one vote per 10 minutes. As the day advanced, the number increased. On an average, there were about 1,750 voters at each one of the eight polling-booths in the Ward. But at the St. Columba's, nearly 4,000 women exercised their franchise. Indications show that Mrs. Deshmukh will win the elections by lengths. Even according to a pessimistic view, the polling was that "Chakki" got six votes to every four votes polled by "Scales". The position of Mrs. Malinibai Sukthankar was very bad in the morning, but her position improved considerably in the evening. The rate of polling for Mrs. Deshmukh was steady from early morning till the closing time.

CONGRESS MACHINERY WORKS.
While the entire Congress machinery was at Mrs. Deshmukh's disposal, her rival had the support of Municipal School teachers, some Scouts and some of the Parsi supporters of Sir Jehangir Boman Behram.

Polling Stations

The different polling booths with the number of voters, each of them are as follows:—
Tutorial College 9,350 voters
Blavatsky Lodge 9,550 voters
Robert Money School 9,000 voters
Wilson College 10,500 voters
Gilder Tank School 9,600 voters
Union High School 7,000 voters
Vanita Vishram 6,000 voters
St. Columba High School (for women voters only who number about 8,000 and are included in the above figures).

Congress Volunteers Busy

There were about two hundred volunteers of the Congress apart from the Bombay National Guards and the women volunteers of Mrs. Sofia Khan were very much in prominence, canvassing for the Congress candidates.

There were hundreds of school boys and girls, who took out miniature processions with flags shouting slogans like "Vote for Congress" and "Vote for Freedom".

A good number of volunteers, mostly young men worked for Mrs. Malinibai.

At The "Chakki"

One of the striking feature of to-day's elections was some of the boys exhibiting a "Chakki" and grinding it, "Chakki" is the symbol of the Congress candidate.

The rush of men at St. Columba's

on's Polling Station was greater than those of women; the excitement and slogans just outside the station attracted a big crowd and the traffic on the Gamdevi Road was a bit disorganised. Some of the leaders visited a polling booth in the Ward but everyone made it a point to go to the Women's Polling Station as there the polling was very brisk.

Leaders Present

Among the leaders that visited the polling booths were Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Messrs Bhulabhai Desai; K. F. Nariman; K. M. Munshi; Nagindas Master; S. A. Brelvi; G. V. Deshmukh and others. They were cheered everywhere. Mr. P. R. Iele, President of the Ward Congress Committee, took keen interest in the polling in his Ward for the Congress candidate. Mr. Husseinbhai Lalji, took very keen interest in the polling and visited all the polling booths as he did yesterday also. Till mid-day, the polling at all the polling booths, was comparatively brisk, at St. Columba's alone about 2,000 voters must have exercised their franchise. While the Majority of them cast their votes in favour of the Congress candidate, a few Parsi women supported Mrs. Malinibai. In all about twenty thousand out of the 60,000 had gone to the polls by the time of going to press and the Congress candidate is stated to have received the support of the majority of those who voted.

After noon, polling was dull at all the polling stations excepting at St. Columba's, but a good number of voters are expected to rush to the stations after 2 p.m.

Impersonation

Till noon, the polling was uneventful, excepting for the enthusiasm and excitement created by the supporters of the Congress. At Gilder Tank a few of the voters were suspected to be impersonating but the Congress Agents could not prove the allegations.

Between noon and 3 p.m., the Polling at all excepting the Women's Polling Booths was very dull. The Polling at the Women's Polling Booths became brisker. Cars of the rival candidates rushed to and fro, and every road in Girgaum seemed to lead to the St. Columba Girls' School. During the afternoon, the shouting and excitement outside on behalf of the Congress did not reflect itself in the Polling inside. Finding that her position was not very good, Mrs. Malinibai's supporters became more active and brought in car loads of voters.

More than hundred young kiddies formed themselves into a procession in the afternoon and went round the locality carrying National flags and shouting Congress slogans. The enthusiasm shown by these boys seems to have unnerved one of the supporters of the rival candidate, who complained to the Police, as the boys were passing in front of the Women's Polling Station. The Police officer approached the leader of the boys, a young man, and warned him. He was told that the Police would be forced to take action under the City Police Act or the Children's Act, unless the boys were taken away from that place. The Procession. In the usual course of events passed to another locality.

At all the Polling Stations, the

KISANS MARCH TO BOOTHS

Polling In Karnatak Going Strong In Favour Of Congress

DHARWAR, Feb. 18.
From reports received from the districts and Taluka centres it appears that the Congress candidates received very good support in Dharwar, Belgum, Bijapur and Karwar rural constituencies. Kisans marching to the polling stations on foot and in bullock carts with Congress flags and shouting Congress slogans was the feature of the elections. Women and children took very keen interest in the polling and added to the excitement and enthusiasm.

KEEN CONTEST.
Polling commenced this morning for the Women's seat from Dharwar District. There is very keen contest between Mrs. Nagamma Patil the Congress candidate, and Mrs. Padmavati Angadi, Independent. Congress leaders have mobilised the Congress forces and have been making frequent use of the loud speakers in the rural area.—A.P.

Fair Chances For Congress

(From A Correspondent.)
BASSEIN, Feb. 18.
Out of 21,000 voters nearly 16,000 exercised the franchise. The reports received from all talukas show that Mr. Vartak (Congress), Mr. Raut (Non-Brahmin) and Mr. Dandekar (Congress) have got fair chances.

Mr. Vartak and Mr. Raut got good support of Bassein Taluka. Mr. Raut got full support of Wada Taluka. Mr. Dandekar also got fair backing of Palghar Taluka.

Eastbound Air Mail Delayed

(From Our Correspondent.)
KARACHI, Feb. 18.
The east-bound Imperial Air Mail running 24 hours late is expected to-morrow afternoon.

Rate of Polling increased at about 5 p.m.

As in the morning, the Congress leaders visited all Polling stations and some of them stayed over till closing time at the Columba's School polling station. When Doctor Deshmukh, arrived at the Station, he was mobbed by the supporters of the Congress who one and all congratulated him on his wife's promising success at the Polls. Just before closing time, the crowd became unmanageable and the Police were finding it difficult to control them. Mrs. Deshmukh had become so popular by then, that she came out and "commanded" the crowd to disperse and leave way for the cars. It was a sight to see the crowd spontaneously carrying out the "Orders".

MRS. DESHMUKH WILL WIN

One cannot agree with some of the enthusiastic Congress supporters that Mrs. Deshmukh will win with hands down as more than two hundred Parsi voters were rushed to the Polls within the last half an hour, and all of them are stated to have voted for Mrs. Malinibai Sukthankar.

From information gathered from all the Polling Booths, the position seems to be that Mrs. Deshmukh will win by a comfortable majority. Many of the Congress workers and leaders seem to have been waiting for the 18th as that is the last day of their strenuous election propaganda which has lasted for well over 50 days.

There was a look of relief on the faces of many of them and most of them were just waiting for the going to indicate that the polling had been closed for the day.

UPPER HOUSE RESULTS TO-DAY

The results for the Bombay Legislative Council (Upper House) will be declared to-day.

Counting of votes cast for the Muslim, University and Constituencies other than the General will begin on the 23rd and the counting of votes cast in the General Constituencies will commence on the 24th.

Dull Polling At Poona

POONA, Feb. 18.
Polling was dull to-day in the election for one seat of the women's constituency for which Mrs. Laxmibai Thuse (Congress) and Mrs. Subhadrabai Tarkunde (Democrat) are contesting. Only 25 per cent of the electorate went to the polls.—A.P.

DOWSON INQUIRY UNWARRANTED

Zanzibar Indians Protest

BOMBAY, Feb. 18.
The Associated Press of India has received the following cable from Zanzibar Indian Association:—
"Indians are nervous at and apprehensive of the unwarranted Dowson Enquiry. India Government should press immediate adoption of Indebtedness Commission's unanimous recommendations. If enquiry is inevitable the Government of India's deputy should be associated with the Enquiry to safeguard Indian interests."—A.P.

"NO CONFIDENCE" IN MINISTERS

Motion Allowed In Burma Council

RANGOON, Feb. 18.
In the House of Representatives to-day U B A U (member All-Burma Coalition Party) sought leave of the House to move a "no-confidence" motion against U B A P E. The Forest Minister, and U Thein Maung, the Education Minister. The Speaker held the motion in order observing that Ministers were in office under old diarchical system of Government which was still prevailing. As more than 25 members stood up in favour of the motion leave was granted. The Speaker fixed February 26 for the consideration of the motion.—A.P.

Through-Running On Nilgiri Rly. Not Yet

PODANUR, Feb. 18.

The District Traffic Superintendent telegraphs under date to-day. Owing to further slips between Adderley and Hillgrove on the Nilgiri Railway through-running of trains is still interrupted and transhipment continues. Through running is expected to be resumed to-morrow. There has been no further rain.—A. P.

Congress Opponent Loses Security

(From A Correspondent.)
KHANDWA, Feb. 18.
Pandit Bhagwantrao Mandoli, pleader, Congress nominee from Khandwa Rural was declared elected. He gets 8,888 votes and opponent Mr. Dinkarrao Mandoli, Mahasabha nominee, polled only 805, forfeiting security.

Fresh Hurdle For Indian Textiles

Sanctimonious Talk Of "Fair Tariff And Economic Reciprocity"

Hon'ble Raja Bahadur Govindlal Shivlal, President, Indian Merchants' Chamber in the course of a press statement says:

India has been recently receiving much attention from the Manchester Chamber of Commerce. From long and bitter experience in the past, we have learnt that whenever Manchester starts taking a kindly interest in India, there is generally good reason for India to be on her guard.

It is evident that the British textile interest are organising a campaign to bring pressure on the British Government to take a strong stand in the impending negotiations for a new Indo-British trade agreement. We are in the dark as to the exact nature of the proposals they intend to make. But from the utterances of their several spokesmen, it can be gathered that they want their Government to stand out for a still further reduction in the duty on British piecegoods imported into India. The last special Tariff Board, went as far as it could go, if not too far, in recommending a reduction of the protective duty against British exports of yarn and piecegoods. Its recommendations were put into effect by the Government of India even before the publication of its report for eliciting public opinion. Any further reduction of the protective duty against British exports will not only be a handicap on the

development of the Indian textile industry, but will lead to its positive deterioration. **EXCESSIVE PROTECTION.** Last month, Mr. A. D. Campbell, the President of the Indian Section of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, said that it was now abundantly clear that the decline of Lancashire's Indian trade was due to the excessive protection of the domestic industry rather than to Japanese competition. This statement is contrary to the actual facts and figures. Mr. Campbell further said that "if India desires consideration such as is now extended to several of her important exports commodities, she must be willing to take steps as a 'quid pro quo' to enable British exporters of cotton textiles to secure a fair share of available trade under equitable conditions." This was dealt with at some length by my predecessor in office and also by the Vice-President of the Chamber.

VAGUE PROMISES. In the middle of this month, Mr. C. Lucas, President of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, when presiding at the annual meeting, has returned to the charge. Referring to the new trade agreement with India, he declared that "they must expect a certain amount of hostile comment from some political quarters in India. Indian Millowners would doubtless feel obliged to enter an objection. But taking Indian opinion as a whole, he

CASUALTIES ON FRONTIER

Sequel To Sniping By Gangster Avenging Brother's Death

NEW DELHI, Feb. 18.
A communique states:—
On the morning of February 17 a column which was carrying at a normal routine march west of Wana, was fired on and followed up by a gang of Kharoti tribesmen led by Guljan, a notorious bad character. The column, which was accompanied by aircraft, engaged the gang and inflicted casualties. There was no sniping during the night of 17/18 February, and the column returns to Wana to-day.

Subject to confirmation the following casualties occurred:—
Killed, one British officer, one Indian other rank (South Waziristan Scouts).

Wounded: One British officer, one British other rank, three Indian other ranks, two Indian other ranks (Scouts).
Guljan, who is a Kharoti Ghilzai is a wellknown raider. He had a brother, another notorious raider, called Sherjan. The latter was implicated in the attack on the Ashwat post in the Zhoob Political agency in July, 1931, and was killed in an attack on the Nimparao Post in the same Agency in 1933, since when Guljan has been seeking an opportunity to avenge his brother's death.—A. P.

Mr. M. F. Pithawala

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cepting Briton Alviero and Sir Von Merkmer, I would rather have my head painted by Mr. Pithawala preserved his artistic powers till the last. Only recently a life-sized portrait of S. M. Reza Shah Pahlavi of Iran was painted by him which was highly appreciated in Bombay and Iran. Mr. Pithawala was connected with many Parsi Associations and took active part in their proceedings. He leaves behind him three sons and a daughter to mourn his loss.

"Pratap" Editor Weds.

(From A Correspondent.)
CAWNPORE, Feb. 18.
Marriage of Mr. Hari Shankar Vidyardhi, editor "Pratap" and son of late Ganesh Shanker Vidyardhi with Miss Savitri sister of Prof. Dr. Bishwar Prasad will take place on 19th February at Allahabad.

Congress Ministry For U. P.?

CABINET PERSONNEL SPECULATIONS

Socialists May Join If They Are Invited

LUCKNOW, February 18.
Congress expectations of annexing 135 out of the 228 seats in the U. P. Assembly will, it can now confidently be said, fall short by one only. They have already secured 128 seats, and out of the remaining undeclared results, they are sure of 6 more.

Trend Of Opinions
Now, with an absolute majority, general trend of opinion is veering round more in favour of Office-Acceptance. Speculations are rife as to the probable Ministry.

Socialist Position
At one time it was believed that even if a majority favoured acceptance of office in the U. P. Assembly, some of the prominent Congress Socialists, who would certainly be an asset to the Ministry, would not accept ministerialship.

Changed Circumstances
Now, it is hoped, with the changing circumstances, they have also changed their mind and would, if desired, accept office.

CHOICE OF CABINET

While this transformation has been going on, on the one hand, on the other a few holding the opposite view, are stated to be walking into "the non-acceptance" camp.

The question, however, will finally be decided on the 7th of Mar. when the selection of a Ministry will be made at Lucknow for final approval.

With his ripe experience, Pandit Govind Vallabh Pant will be the Chief Minister and his Cabinet will be composed of three Hindu and two Muslim Ministers.

PORTFOLIO FOR WOMEN.

It is very probable that women will be included in the Ministry and the choice is likely to fall on Mrs. Pandit. For the remaining places, the selection will be between Sjt. Purshotamdas Tandon, Acharya Narendra Deo and Babu Sampurnanand. But it is understood that Sjt. Tandon's name is being suggested for the Speaker'ship.

There is also mention of the name of Dr. Kailashnath Katju, but it is reliably understood that his name has not so far been seriously considered by the Congress. The main question at present engaging the attention of the Congress is about the two Muslim Ministers. So far, the only Muslim returned on the Congress ticket is Mr. Syed Husain Zaheer, while the Congress have high hopes of Mr. Yusuf Imam being elected from Benares and Mirzapur Districts.

It is understood that Mr. Syed Husain Zaheer is not likely to become a Minister, but if Mr. Yusuf Imam is returned he is sure to be one of the two.

KHALIQUZZAMAN'S CHANCES.
For the other place Congress will have to find the outsider nearest to the Congress creed. It is understood that a few Mahomedans, though not elected on the Congress ticket, will join the Congress in almost all issues in the Assembly, and if they are willing to abide by the Congress policy in the Provincial Legislatures, the choice for the second Muslim seat in the Ministry will be made from them. At the moment the name of Chaudhury Khaliqzaman (Muslim League) is being freely mentioned in this connection.

Rumour also has it that some of the elected Muslims are willing to resign their seats in the Assembly and put in Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai through a by-election. Mr. Kidwai who was not returned from Gonda, would have been the first choice in the Ministry.—A. P.

CONGRESS AND OFFICES

Lal Bahadur Shastri On Marching Orders For Ministers

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 18.
(By Mail).
Interviewed by the Associated Press in regard to the action to be pursued by the Congress in the Legislatures, Mr. Lal Bahadur Shastri, the newly elected member of the U. P. Legislative Assembly said:—
"In all probability, Congressmen in the Majority Provinces will form Ministries. The A. I. C. C. will, however, lay down specific conditions, whose non-fulfilment will be the signal for the resignation of Congress Ministers. As far as our own province, the United Provinces is concerned, such conditions are likely to relate to the tax and debts and rent burdens of the peasantry. I visualise, that within six months of the formation of a Congress Ministry, a situation will be created when Ministerial Legislation shall be vetoed by the Governor. Then the alarm shall have been sounded for a general election and it is easy to imagine what follows"—A. P.

Nizam Thanks Viceroy

NEW DELHI, Feb. 18.
A communique states:—
The following two telegrams have been sent by the Nizam of Hyderabad and Berar to the Viceroy:

I should be grateful if Your Excellency will kindly convey my respectful acknowledgment to His Majesty for his gracious message on the occasion of my Silver Jubilee with which he has honoured me.

I am very grateful for Your Excellency's kind telegram of congratulations and good wishes on my Silver Jubilee which I greatly appreciate.—A. P.

Rly. Budget Debate Opens

Gidney Complains Of Interests Of Anglo-Indians Jeopardised By "Headlong Rush For Economy"

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declared that it amounted to taking the food of the passengers.

Finally, he expressed strong resentment against the non-inclusion of Indians in the Wedgwood Committee and entered a vehement protest against the appointment of a South African to the committee.

It was an insult to Indian self-respect, he declared, and caused feelings of disgust.

FREIGHT POLICY

Mr. A. C. Dutt, the Deputy President, discussed at length the railway freight policy. He criticised the railways for allowing favourable freight rates to and from ports as compared with the internal rates, which tended to encourage the export of raw materials and import of foreign goods. His view was that there should not be such wide difference to the rates.

Mr. Dutt said that they had always understood that the Member of the Government of India in charge of Commerce and Railways was to look after the interests of Indian Commerce and Railways, but after seeing the policy that Government had been following, it appeared to them that the Commerce Member was more to safeguard foreign commerce and interests than those of India.

Mr. Dutt also criticised Sir Mahomed Zafrullah for dismissing the interests of third class passengers in a casual manner. Sir Leslie Hudson said that the European Group preferred to see what the Wedgwood Committee had to say before they proceeded further with the expression of any views on general policy.

He made a brief reference to the proposal to write off the liabilities of railways in respect of their accumulated arrears of contributions to the General Revenues and to cancel borrowings from the Depreciation Fund, and said that, seeing that the relationship between the Railway and Government Finances was governed by the Separation Convention, what the European Group should like to know was why only accumulated arrears of contributions were being dealt with instead of tackling the bigger problem of revising the Convention.

Mr. Nauman asked whether the Railways had ever enquired of the business community as to what railway freights suited trade. Madras, for example, required hides from various centres to make the Tanning Industry a paying concern. The Railways had done nothing to help that industry.

As regards passenger-traffic, Mr. Nauman declared that the attitude of the Railway Staff was not at all satisfactory towards passengers. That was the chief cause of the drop in railway earnings under this head. There was also corruption amongst the staff and he suggested drastic measures to stop it.

The House adjourned for lunch.

TRACES OF OLD POLICY

Mr. N. M. Joshi, continuing the debate when the House re-assembled, said that there was enough scope not only for railways and buses, but even for bullock carts and all these means of transport were properly co-ordinated, the problem of road competition would not arise. Traces of the old policy were evident in the railways' neglect of third class passengers who numbered 40 crores against 45 lakhs of first and second class passengers, and contributed thirteen times the revenue obtained from the higher class passengers. Yet Government seemed satisfied so long as the first and second class passengers were satisfied.

RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

As regards the employment of Britishers, Mr. Joshi complained that even after ten years of Indianisation the number of British people could be counted in thousands and Parliament had decided that they should be paid more. That would not have been tolerated in any commercial undertaking.

Referring to the Anglo-Indian community, Mr. Joshi asked if there was any Indian who would tolerate racial discrimination because Parliament decreed to such discrimination?

(Sir Henry Gidney, interrupting: "I want a living wage; that is all.")

Mr. Joshi: I am prepared to ask for higher wages for all.

Sir Henry Gidney: I shall be satisfied.

Mr. Joshi declared that the Anglo-Indian employees could prosper only if they co-operated with other employees and not by "blacklegging the other community."

A LITTLE MORE IMAGINATION
Mr. Ghiasuddin directed an attack on the various aspects of

the Railway Administration in India. Referring to the road-rail problem he said that if the railways viewed the road traffic with a little more imagination and foresight, instead of treating it as an arch enemy of railways, they could make it a feeder to the railway system. Prompt action should be taken to eliminate corruption. He considered level crossings a nuisance to the motoring public, and the railways would do well to spend money to construct overbridges with a view to avoid crossings and inconvenience. Mr. Ghiasuddin suggested doing away with obsolete tracks, which were a danger to public travel. He criticised non-inclusion of an Indian on the Wedgwood Committee.

NEW CONSTRUCTION
The Raja of Kollengode was glad to see an encouraging budget, but enquired why the Government had not provided for substantial new construction in the current year. He emphasised that money, labour and material were cheap and the present was an opportune moment for the purpose of launching new schemes whereby more remunerative lines could be provided and losses sustained during these years could be made up. The Raja wanted more attention to be paid to third class travellers.

STRAIGHT QUESTION.

Mr. De Souza said that the Railway Member and the Financial Commissioner of Railways deserved credit for the favourably budget, but this result was not an indication of a return to prosperity. He dealt at great length with the question of rail and road competition. He asked: "Are you going to cut off the access of the rural masses to their markets? Are you going to cut off their communications simply in order to give a pound of flesh to the bondholders and shareholders of the eight hundred crores of rupees invested in the railways? Why should the rural masses pay that pound of flesh by having their motor transport cut off?"

Mr. De Souza said that the starting of air-conditioned trains was adding insult to injury, for while such immediate necessities as lavatories and waiting rooms were not provided for third class passengers, they were talking of air-conditioned coaches.

SANT SINGH'S OFFER
Sardar Sant Singh drew the attention of the Railway Member to the prevalence in the railway services of corruption. Sir Zafrullah Khan, intervening, asked whether the speaker could give specific instances of corruption, so that he could take action.

Sardar Sant Singh offered to take Sir Zafrullah to any railway station to get evidence to that effect. He added: "If you cannot uproot corruption, then abdicate and let others come to govern the railways."

Concluding, Sardar Sant Singh warned Sir Henry Gidney that his demand for discrimination in favour of Anglo-Indians would cause the greatest bitterness in the country.

PLEA FOR COURTESY.

Mr. Umar Ali Shah, in a brief speech, urged that ticket collectors should be made to treat passengers with greater courtesy and helpfulness than at present, and that the Administration should pay greater attention to the comforts of third class passengers.

Sir Mahomed Zafrullah, the Railway Member, rising amid cheers, expressed gratefulness to members who had expressed gratification at the surplus budget. To a very large extent, Railway earnings depended upon economic conditions, and recent changes in those conditions, adverse as well as favourable, could not be attributed to the efforts of any individual or Government. During prosperous years it was no less a duty to strike after economy and an increase in earnings and amenities than during an adverse period. However, if it was due to good luck that the railways were in their present position, then there should have been some element of back luck in the unsatisfactory position of last year, and credit or discredit for it could not be attached to the administration.

REPLY

He realised Sir Henry Gidney's anxiety, but could not give any categorical assurance in regard to the matters raised. The Government had not arrived at a final decision. He would, however, restate the position with regard to Sec. 242 of the Government of India Act. Though this section would become operative only when this part of the Act was brought into force, the principle of the Section had been accepted and was being given effect to even now. The differences between the

PATIALA OR DHOLPUR?

Princes Chamber Chancellorship Contest

NEW DELHI, Feb. 18.
"United Press" learns that the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes could not hold its meeting to-day for want of quorum. Only four members were present.

It is understood, about 50 Princes will attend the Chamber session, while about 16 advisers will be present on behalf of other States. Patiala, Bikaner, Rampur, Kotah, Nawanagar and Dholpur will be prominent among the States attending the Chamber.

Patiala and Dholpur are likely to offer themselves for the Chancellorship.—United Press.

TEXTILE DESIGN

School Of Art Wins Prize

Derrick De Silva, a young student of the Lord Reay Art Workshops of the Sir J. J. School of Art, Bombay, was successful in gaining a prize in the All-India Competition for Textile Designing organised by the Department of Chemical Technology of the Bombay University. It is all the more creditable when we consider that the competition was open to professional textile designers as well as students. It is encouraging to know that at last something is being done to encourage new and creative designing, and the Textile Industry is in great need of this new creative effort to enable it to compete with other world markets.

position as it existed to-day and the position, as Sir Henry Gidney would like to see it, was that he placed a certain interpretation on the Section and held that it was a correct interpretation. So long as the Government had not arrived at a final decision, it was pointless to discuss what was the correct interpretation, but speaking entirely for himself, the Railway Member said he did not see eye to eye with Sir Henry Gidney in the conclusion he had drawn from one part of this section that of this Federal Railway Authority should fix the remuneration of members of this community when holding certain posts, which should have reference not to the consideration of supply and demand and of capacity required for performing functions attaching to those posts, but should also have reference to some standard of living which Sir Henry Gidney had in mind.

Sir Henry Gidney had further held out threats that if his interpretation was not accepted there would be a common grievance between the Anglo-Indian community and other communities, and common action would be taken. One of the terms on which special treatment had been asked for was that members of the Anglo-Indian community could be relied upon during times of trouble to stand by the Administration. By these threats Sir Henry Gidney had completely destroyed that argument.

ALLEGATIONS OF CORRUPTION

Sir Zafrullah dealt at length with the subject of corruption, pointing out that it was difficult to proceed further in the matter on unsubstantiated allegations made on the floor of the House. He however welcomed any proposals put forward to deal with the evil, and furthermore individual attention and examination would be given to any specific examples brought to the notice of the administration.

Some criticism had been made of the expenditure of nearly two and a half lakhs on costly experiments in air conditioning coaches. It was a big experiment, and if it financially as well as scientifically proved successful, it was bound to revolutionise railway travel in India.

INDIAN LOCOMOTIVES.

Dealing with the suggestion that locomotives should be built in India, he said that this would involve the railways in large losses. The argument that these losses would be counterbalanced by general benefit to trade and industry of the country was one which was not primarily the concern of the railways. It would be unfair to burden the railway budget with losses, when the benefits were general in nature.

ROAD-RAIL COMPETITION.

Referring to the criticism about road-rail competition, Sir Zafrullah Khan said that to him it appeared that there was no difference in the principles put forward by the Government and non-official members. The principle which Government had in mind was "the money that is available for making further improvements in the communications should be so spent as not to duplicate those communications but to add to them in a useful way in opening up new country."

The House adjourned till tomorrow.—A.P.

Suburban Table Tennis

J. DASS WINS SINGLES TITLE

Glowing Tributes Paid To Baby Champion Khory

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Bombay Suburban Table Tennis Tournament concluded at the Bandra Gymkhana this evening, before a distinguished gathering, including Mr. Leo Rodrigues, Administrator-General, Government of Bombay and Mrs. Rodrigues.

J. Dass, who represented India in the International Championship at London, deservedly won the Singles title, beating H. M. Barafwala, the Bombay Presidency Champion at (21-18), (21-15), (19-21), (21-16). It was a great match played between two great exponents of this game and they treated the large number of spectators with their wonderful skill. It was a treat to watch their electrifying shots and accurate placings. J. Dass, who was certainly more experienced won the final honours.

The Ladies Singles between Miss P. de Lima and Miss Toorkey was also quite interesting though both the players looked rather subdued. The former won the Ladies Singles Championship at (21-14), (21-11).

The Men's Doubles, which was the third item on the programme this evening, was played between J. Dass and H. M. Barafwala on one side and Kumana and Kapadia on the other. The former pair won the match at (21-13), (13-21), (21-14). The winners had better combination and understanding though Kumana and Kapadia gave them quite an anxious time.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

Before asking Mrs. Leo Rodrigues to give away the prizes, Mr. Parewala, the Assistant Secretary of the Bombay Presidency Table Tennis Association, made a short and interesting speech. He went through the short history of this game in this city and then paid

glowing tributes to Ginger M. Khory, a lad of 12 years, from Central India, who had entered this tournament.

Continuing Mr. Parewala said, "This little Baby Champion plays a great game and in years to come should represent our country in the International Championships. I see in him the making of a budding champion."

"The tournament has been a great success, said, Mr. Parewala, and all the credit goes to Mr. A. Dyer and Mr. C. D'Monte, the Joint Hon. Secretaries, who are responsible for it, of course being assisted by the other members of the tournament Committee."

With a vote of thanks and three cheers to the Chairman the tournament came to a close.

THE RESULTS.

MEN'S SINGLES.
J. Dass beat H. M. Barafwala (21-18), (21-15), (19-21), (21-16).

LADIES SINGLES.
Miss P. de Lima beat Miss Toorkey (21-14), (21-11).

MEN'S DOUBLES.
J. Dass and H. M. Barafwala beat Kumana and Kapadia (21-13), (13-21), (21-14).

GWALIOR CUP HOCKEY

Brijraj Youngmen Beat

"Times Of India" 'A'

Brijraj Youngmen from Kirkee defeated the "Times of India" "A" in the Gwalior Cup Hockey Tournament, at the Cooperage on Thursday evening by 2 goals to nil. FRIDAY'S (TO-DAY'S) MATCH AT THE COOPERAGE 5-30 P.M.
Replay of the drawn match between Christ Church "B" and "Times of India" "B".

W. I. Lawn Tennis Championships

OPENING DAY'S RESULTS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Western India Lawn Tennis Tournament opened at the Bombay Gymkhana courts, Queens Road, this afternoon, and the following are the results of the matches:—

MEN'S SINGLES.

H. C. Sansoni beat M. Khatau (6-1) (6-4).
J. M. Mehta beat A. C. Sunkot (6-3) (6-2).

J. Charanjiva beat T. Shibata (6-4) (6-0).
R. Savarna beat N. D. Sirur (6-3) (6-0).

A. G. Gupta beat Hiralal Parekh (6-2) (6-2).
G. D. Bhagat w. o. D. C. Bhachuwar.

S. A. Azim beat S. Rao (6-2) (6-0).
O. Stevens w. o. M. H. Kajiji.

K. V. Deshmukh beat N. D. Shroff (6-3) (6-0).
S. S. Indulkar beat S. F. Kapadia (6-1) (6-2).

L. R. Pereira beat D. Stilliard (8-6) (2-6) (6-2).
R. G. Hopkins beat M. Mohanlal (6-3) (6-3).

R. R. Rula beat Y. M. Bhawe (6-4) (6-4).
F. F. Vakharia beat R. A.

Mundkur (6-4) (6-1).
MIXED DOUBLES.
J. E. Tew and Mrs. Pakenham Walsh beat J. M. Lee and Mrs. H. E. Jones (6-1) (6-3).

The following are the matches for to-day:—
Centre Court 4 p.m.
Y. R. Savoor vs. Stewart Jacks followed by E. V. Bobb vs. M. I. Laljee followed by M. Tate vs. M. L. Phansikar.

Court No. 1.
A. E. Browne vs. G. D. Bhagat followed by N. N. Ghorpade vs. E. Fernandez followed by Y. R. Savoor and Gupte vs. K. M. Merchant and G. L. Merchant.

Court No. 4.
O. Stevens vs. L. R. Pereira followed by R. K. Sangnani vs. Sholapur "A".

Court No. 5.
Indulkar vs. N. R. Savarna followed by R. Chandra vs. V. D. Sirur.

Court No. 6.
Sardar M. B. Deshmukh vs. S. K. Fansalkar followed by Miss Dubash vs. Mrs. Foster.

To play on first available Court: A. F. Browne and Stilliard vs. Lalit Kumar and R. M. Khatau. J. N. Lee vs. B. McIntyre.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE IN INDORE?

Problem Before Public Sequel To Govt. Ban

INDORE, Feb. 17.

The Secretary, C. I. States Peoples' Conference, writes:—

"You cannot be permitted to hold a public meeting according to your petition until and unless a few responsible persons of your institution give an undertaking."

Reply to the above effect was given by the Government to Valdhayraj Pandit Khyallram Dwivedi, General Secretary of Praja Kast Nivarak Mandal Indore. This Mandal has been recently formed under the leadership and presidency of Rajyarnatra Sir Hukunchand mainly to protest against the Money Lenders' Bill, proposed by the Revenue Minister in the Legislative Council of Indore. Sir Hukunchand, Valdhayraj Khyallram Dwivedi and Babu Surajmal Jain are foremost among the loyalists in Indore. The people of Indore are astonished at this reply of the Government and they are unable to find out better respondents than the three leaders and are anxious to know whom the Government holds as responsible men.

Indore is said to be a very progressive State in India. But there the above acts are in existence which are very badly felt by the people of Indore.

A meeting of the Prajakast Nivarak Mandal was held in the Sheeshmahal of Sir Hukunchand. The Mandal in a resolution protested against this order of the Government, and further by another resolution the Government was urged to supply a list of responsible men so that in future co-operation of such persons could be obtained.

The Mandal has urged the institutions of the city to protest against the proposed Money-lenders Bill and to send their resolution, to the Secretary of the Council.

Recent information says that about 50,000 persons have signed the protest against the Bill.

On the other hand State officials are touring the districts canvassing to support the Bill.

Plague At Karachi

A telegram from the Government of India says that Karachi has been declared to be infected with Plague from February 7.

Surplus Budget For Bombay Port Trust

ESTIMATES FOR 1937-38

Ten Lakh Loan Proposal For Capital Expenditure

At a special meeting of the Board of Trustees held on the 16th Feb., Budget Estimates of Revenue Expenditure for the year 1937-38, and Revised Estimates for the current year, were approved for submission to Government. The anticipated surplus for the year 1936-37 is Rs. 9.23 lakhs and for the year 1937-38, after carrying out the adjustments referred to below, Rs. 6.29 lakhs. The following is a summary:—

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE RECEIPTS.

Source of Income.	Actuals 1936-37	Estimates 1936-37	Revised Estimates 1936-37	Estimates 1937-38	Total
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Bunders	20,41,757	21,02,200	20,67,400	21,03,800	23,71,300
Land	41,76,187	42,52,400	41,12,800	44,70,300	
Railway Dept. ..	17,17,005	18,75,000	87,87,600		19,91,000
TOTAL					88,32,600

RESTORATION OF CUT.

Of the more important items affecting the Estimates, it was decided to increase the contribution from Revenue to Special Repairs and Renewals Account, to restore the emergency cut in salaries, to continue the rebates of rents and to reduce the surtax in force at the Docks and Bunders.

The following memorandum by the Chairman explains the main details of the Budget and the considerations on which the Estimates were framed:—

Revised Estimates, 1936-37

The Revenue Budget for the current financial year was based on a very moderate degree of optimism. The estimates on General

The revised revenue estimates for Interest and Miscellaneous—always a variable item—are Rs. 1.41 lakhs above the original estimate owing to advantageous investments and adjustment of the sinking fund on Foreshore Securities which were repaid on 1st October 1936.

The revised estimated expenditure under General Account, viz., Rs. 230.55 lakhs shows a reduction of Rs. 2.48 lakhs from the original budget. The reduction includes a sum of nearly one lakh due to the repayment of Foreshore Securities, and the issue of a new loan on favourable terms, the full benefit of which will be received next year. The revised estimate of the working of the General Account is, therefore, after adjusting the salary cut, a surplus of Rs. 9.23 lakhs against the original budget surplus of Rs. 3.16 lakhs.

Budget Estimates, 1937-38

In framing the revenue budget for the financial year 1937-38 the Finance Committee had as usual before them the actuals of the 12 months ending 30th September 1936, the average receipts for the past 5 years and the opinions of leading exporters and importers as to trade prospects during the next 12 months.

SURPLUS FORECAST.

The forecast of the year's working under General Account gives a surplus of Rs. 11.20 lakhs. The Finance Committee recommend the reduction of the existing surtax of 12-1/2 per cent. on certain charges in the Docks and Bunders Scales or Rates to 8-1/3 per cent. from 1st April 1937 which will involve a reduction of Rs. 4.91 lakhs in the revenue estimates and consequent diminution of the estimated surplus to Rs. 6.29 lakhs. The wharfage rates at the Docks have recently been examined in a departmental enquiry with a view to the gradual elimination of the package rate and the extension of the special rates now applicable to West Coast coastal traffic to all ports in India and Burma and their adjustment to suit present day competitive conditions. This matter, together with the question of transshipment charges, will shortly be submitted for the consideration of the Board and it is proposed to keep the net estimated surplus of Rs. 6.29 lakhs in reserve against any loss of revenue involved by the adjustment of rates.

Under Pilotage Account, the revised estimates for 1936-37 anticipate a surplus of Rs. 27.145 and for 1937-38 a surplus of Rs. 6.994 which will be transferred to the Vessels' Replacement Fund as usual. The estimates show that the Trustees have achieved their object in securing a practical equilibrium between pilotage receipts and expenditure by sanctioning the rebate of 10 per cent.

on pilotage charges from 1st October 1936.

Capital

In the original estimates for the current year 1936-37 provision was made for an expenditure of Rs. 10.01 lakhs. The revised capital estimates aggregate Rs. 7.51 lakhs, a decrease of Rs. 2.50 lakhs, due principally to the completion of the work of installing electrically driven pumps at Prince's Victoria and Alexandra Docks Engine

Houses being put forward to 1937-38.

The policy of restricting capital expenditure to works which are either essential to the maintenance of Port facilities or designed to effect savings in working costs has been adhered to in budgeting for capital requirements during 1937-38 the estimates for which aggregate Rs. 18.09 lakhs as follows:—

	Lakhs.	Rs.
Section I, New Works, Ordinary	8.08	
Section II, Alexandra and Hughes Docks	9.42	
Section III, Port Trust Railway and Depots	59	
Rs. 18.09		

NEW LOAN PROPOSAL.

To finance the budgeted capital expenditure it will be necessary to raise a new loan of Rs. 10 lakhs during 1937-38 which will allow a small working balance of Rs. 1.75 lakhs to be carried forward to 1938-39. It is not proposed to raise this small loan in the open market but to take the whole amount for investment of the Trustees' fund balances in 1937-38.

Reserves

The Revenue Reserve Fund stood at Rs. 52-1/2 lakhs (market value) on 1st April 1936. As stated above, it is anticipated that there will be a surplus of about Rs. 9-1/4 lakhs for the current year 1936-37, which will raise the Reserve Fund to Rs. 61-3/4 lakhs. In addition we have the following balances in the miscellaneous funds for special purposes:—

	Lakhs.	Rs.
Fire, Marine and Motor Insurance Fund	6.00	
Railway Depreciation Fund	10.00	
Emergency Fund	8.70	
Vessels' Replacement Fund		
Pilotage Account	8.20	
General Sinking Fund, Profit and Loss Account	9.60	
Total Rs. 42.50		

The Trustees' debt to Government, the balance of which is now Rs. 5-1/2 crores, is being repaid by annual equated payments and amortization of the debt to the public on debenture loans amounting to Rs. 14 crores is being effected by accumulations in Sinking Funds, which will amount to over Rs. 4-3/4 crores on 31st March, 1937.

(Note.—The recommendation of the Finance Committee to reduce the surtax to 8-1/3 per cent. from 1st April 1937 has been accepted by the Board and the estimates have been altered accordingly.)

The Trustees at the same Meeting in pursuance of their policy of electrification considered and sanctioned plans and estimates amounting to Rs. 8.29 lakhs for replacing the old steam-driven hydraulic pumping plant in the Docks by electrically-driven plant. The work is expected to be completed during the year 1937-38.

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Attempt To Smother Clove Trade

To-day's Public Protest Against Treatment To Indian Traders In Zanzibar

The following resolutions will be debated before a public meeting of the citizens of Bombay to be held under the auspices of the Imperial Indian Citizenship Association at the Sir Cowasjee Jehangir Hall to-day (Friday), 19th Feb. at 6 p.m. (S.T.) to protest against the anti-Indian Legislation in Zanzibar.

RESOLUTION NO. I.

Proposed by Sir Hormusji P. Mody.

Seconded by Sir Rahimtoola M. Chiny.

"That His Worship the Mayor do take the Chair."

Speech by The President.

Statement by Mr. Tyabji, Barr-at-Law, of Zanzibar.

RESOLUTION NO. II.

Proposed by Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas.

Seconded by Mrs. Sarojini Naidu.

Supported by Mr. Gordanandas G. Morari.

Supported by Mr. Housumbhoy A. Laljee.

"This public meeting of the citizens of Bombay held under the auspices of the Imperial Indian Citizenship Association expresses its grave concern at the plight to which Indians in Zanzibar have been and are being reduced by the Decrees of 1934, which have the effect of—

(a) Creating a Government monopoly of the Clove Trade which has been for nearly a century the principal business of Indians in Zanzibar against the express stipulation in the Treaty of Friendship between the British Government and the Sultan of Zanzibar in 1896 and then in 1898;

(b) Depriving Indians of their long enjoyed right of acquiring land in Zanzibar;

(c) Restricting even their right to recover debts due to them by repeated extension of the moratorium declared about three years ago.

And (2) This public meeting while acknowledging the support accord-

ed by the Government of India by deputation Mr. K. P. S. Menon I.C.S. and Mr. G. S. Bozman, I.C.S., to Zanzibar to help Indians there in their just fight against the iniquitous legislation of 1934, urges on Government to take speedy and effective steps including, as a last resort, the exclusion of clove imports into India which is their principal market with a view to bring home to the British Government the gross injustice done to Indians in Zanzibar by the said legislation which spells utter ruin to them and the serious consequences of the policy of squeezing out Indians from Zanzibar where they have settled before it became a British Protectorate."

RESOLUTION NO. III.

Proposed by the Hon'ble Sir Phiroze C. Sethna. Seconded by Mr. K. Natarajan. Supported by Mr. Mavji G. Seth. Supported by Mr. B. L. Anantani. "This public meeting of the citizens of Bombay assures Indians in Zanzibar of its full sympathy and support in their present distressing position and calls upon the Legislature and public of India to assist their countrymen in Zanzibar in protecting their interests by every legitimate means in their power."

Mr. B. N. Anantani, Secretary, the Indian National Association of Zanzibar, has specially come down to Bombay from Cutch to attend the meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. IV.

Proposed by Sir Hormusji P. Mody. Seconded by Sir Rahimtoola M. Chiny. "This public meeting of the citizens of Bombay authorities its President, His Worship the Mayor, to forward the above resolutions to the Secretaries of State for Colonies and India, H. E. the Viceroy and to the Government of India."

RESOLUTION NO. V.

Proposed by Sir Cowasji Jehangir. A vote of thanks to the Chair. Citizens of Bombay are asked to roll up to the Cowasji Jehangir Hall to-day to lend support to the expression of India's resentment at happenings in Zanzibar.

PROSPECTS OF RECOVERY

(Continued From Page 6)
may be unhealthy, but that stage is yet to come. But no-one can say it is not probable.

Budget Prospects

Indications of recovery in India have been provided in the reports of the Railway Board and the Post and Telegraphs Department. Both have had increased receipts. Nevertheless, in view of the depleted customs revenue, Sir James Grigg does not seem to have a smooth passage ahead. The year 1936-37 is expected to end in a deficit. Prospects of the coming year 1937-38 are no better. Increased expenditure necessitated for adjustment after the imposition of an unwanted constitution, schemes for the development of aviation, Quetta reconstruction, a probable increase in defence expenditure, and other matters will require an additional tap. The Indian budgets have been notoriously orthodox. It must provide for Home Charges; it must find sufficient money to keep the military; it must pay the public servants; and must make a show of some relief for agriculturists. These done, a surplus must remain. And then the Finance Member can pride over his feat. This year he has to tap some more sources to make both ends meet. He must have some fresh taxation up his sleeves; nobody can predict confidently what they are, though rumour-mongers are busy with one or the other.

A balanced budget is indeed desirable in public finance, provided one can afford it. Where public goods demand an unbalanced budget, one should not hesitate to welcome it. In many countries, notably in U.S.A., during the past some years, instances of unbalanced budgets are none too rare. They have not turned bankrupt on that account. In fact, when circumstances warrant, it is not better to balance the budget over a few years, rather than it be confined to one single year? When the world is on the march to recovery India lags far behind, and if Government wants to arrest what little recovery there is in India by increased taxation, without giving stimulus to it by undertaking a bold policy of public works and unemployment relief, it is indeed much to be deplored. Therefore, it does not mean that there are no more

BABY WEEK IN BARODA

(From Our Correspondent.)
BARODA, February 14.

The whole of Baroda City was buzzing with activities in connection with the Baby Week organised by the Baroda Municipality, under the direction of Health Officer, Dr. R. Mazumdar. 2,322 children were examined, of whom only 207 exceeded the required weight, including 112 children up to 6 months. The infantile mortality which was 550 per mille in 1929-30, has now been reduced to 200 in 1934-35. The Maharaja Chinnabhai, Women and Child Welfare League and other institutions co-operated in the task and the response of the public was quite appreciable.

BARODA BANK

The Annual General Meeting of the Bank of Baroda, was held here yesterday noon, under the Chairmanship of Sheth Walchand Hirachand.

Nanatal Jubilee In Baroda

(From Our Correspondent.)
BARODA, Feb. 16.

The Baroda Gujarati Sahitya Sabha celebrated on Monday last the Diamond Jubilee of Kavi Nanatal under presidency of R. B. Govindbhai H. Desai. Mr. S. V. Mukerjee spoke on the occasion.

Another function was held on Tuesday at the Karelbag when the Aryakuma Mahasabha presented an address to Kavi Nanatal for his bright literary career and various girls of Aryakuma Mahavidyalaya eulogised the wide and varied qualities of poet Nanatal. Mr. Ramanlal V. Desai presided on the occasion.

Reports from Indore indicate that the condition of Sir S. M. Bapna, Prime Minister, is causing some anxiety. Eminent doctors like Col. Sir J. Aes Robert from Dewas and Dr. Bharucha from Bombay have arrived to attend on him.

sources which the Government can quite comfortably avail themselves of. Within a few days the cat will be out, and then we shall see what is in store for us, though markets have begun to discount all possible probabilities so as to escape surprises.

Cochin Letter

CHEAP ELECTRICITY FOR STATE

Dewan Opens Shanmukham Power House

(From Our Correspondent.)
ERNAKULAM, February 14.
Opening the Shanmukham Power House, and switching on the supply to Trichoor, the Diwan Sir Shanmukham Chetty said that the people of Cochin would be inaugurating an era of industrial and economic advancement in the State if they made full use of the cheap electric power.

With the introduction of electric power from Pylkara many a District in the neighbourhood province of Madras had made rapid strides in the industrial sphere and there was no reason why a similar measure of progress and prosperity should not be achieved by the people of Cochin.

COCHIN AID FELLOWSHIP
With a view to consult non-official opinion on the question of the State acceding to the All-India Federation, Government propose to convene a conference shortly of eight or nine members of the Legislative Council, representative of every section of the House. The members will be also supplied with all the relevant documents relating to the question and the Dewan will confer with them soon after his return from Delhi at the end of the month.

RURAL RECONSTRUCTION

Dr. Spencer Hatch, Director of the Y.M.C.A. Rural Reconstruction at Marthandam (Travancore) who recently participated in a Conference of officers by the Diwan at Trichoor to consider the inauguration of a comprehensive scheme of Rural Reconstruction in the State, recommended to the Gov-

ernment the opening of one rural Reconstruction centre as an experiment.

The three-day session of the 6th All-Travancore Co-operative Conference held at Parur, 8 miles away from Alwaye, during the week and concluded yesterday, Dwan Bahadur K. Devasikamani Mudaliyar (retired Co-operative Registrar, Madras) presiding.

The importance of co-operative societies in the National economy was emphasised by Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer, Dewan of Travancore, in a message to the Conference.

Dewan Bahadur K. Devasikamani Mudaliyar in the course of his address opened that some other Agency better equipped for the task should have to be instituted to handle the problem of the working of the agriculturists and the agricultural credit societies. It was better than some concessions were given.

Mr. K. G. Gopalkrishnan, President of the Travancore Central Co-operative Institute, Trivandrum reading a report of the Institute said that the State had on rolls 26,000 women co-operators and that of the 1796 co-operative Institutes 31 were model ones, 126 good, 714 average and 799 were satisfactory, while the remaining 568 were societies on a communal basis.

After a few remarks from the Chair, the Conference came to a close.

THREE CONFERENCES

There were an Agricultural Conference presided over by Changamachery Parameswaran Pillai, a Health Conference, presided over by Dr. Gopal Pillai, Director of Public Health, Travancore and an Education Conference presided over by Sadasiva Tilakan T. K. Vellu Pillai, Deputy President of the Travancore Sree Mulam Assembly.

REJUVENATION.

If you want to preserve your good looks or to recapture lost loveliness the first thing you must learn is that perfect beauty is dependent upon a healthy skin structure. Health alone cannot preserve facial beauty. You must aid health in combating destructive forces. As the outer skin decomposes with age it must be removed to reveal the fresh youthful complexion that lies beneath. And the best method, experts agree, of giving Nature a helping hand is the regular use of Mergolized Wax. Buy an ounce or two of this wonderful complexion wax from your chemist, smoothing a thin film over face and neck nightly, invisibly, but none the less effectively, the wax removes the wrinkles, exfoliating faded, discoloured complexions for youthful loveliness. Give Mergolized Wax a trial and you will also give your complexion new youth and beauty.

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Latest Commercial News

NEW YORK COTTON

1 POINT DOWN
Bullion Better And Base Metals
Strong But Wheat Easy

On Thursday crosses ruled quiet.
N. Y. COTTON STEADY.
 New York cotton opened quiet but thereafter prices slightly improved. The tone was steady.
BULLION PRICES RISE.
 London gold and silver prices registered a small rise.
WHEAT EASY.
 Wheat was easy in the absence of support. Base metals were firm.
SECURITIES DEPRESSED.
 The London Stock Exchange was somewhat easier influenced by weakness of gilt-edged securities which came under good pressure.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

	May 1937
Previous closing	12.41
To-day's opening	12.40
Difference	-.01
To-day's closing	12.40
Difference	-.01

LIVERPOOL COTTON

	May 1937
Previous closing	6.95
To-day's opening	6.95
Difference	nil
To-day's closing	6.95
Difference	nil

BROACH EXPECTATION

April	Rs. 221
May	Rs. 221

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, Feb. 18.
 Cotton continued to be quietly steady with new crop months displaying steady tendency. Meanwhile traders are awaiting new incentives with buying interest absent.

Operations in May commenced at 12.40 i.e. 1 point lower than previous closing. Prices early showed hesitancy on some scattered selling but later the market improved on some trade support although general enquiry was restricted with traders watching developments in Washington may ruling at 12.41.

New York cotton finally closed at 12.40 with a decline of 1 point for May delivery.

NEW YORK COTTON

The following were the opening ranges:—
 March (12.34/12.35) 12.36/12.36
 May (12.36/12.36) 12.40/12.39
 July (12.26/12.25) 12.26/12.25

LIVERPOOL COTTON

The following were the rates at 12.15 p.m.:—
 American March (6.91) 6.85
 American May (6.91) 6.85
 Egyptian March (6.97) 6.96
 Egyptian May (6.95) 6.92

BROACH COTTON

Bombay, Feb. 18.
 Broach cotton for April May delivery moved between Rs. 221.8 and Rs. 221 at night. The rate at 9.30 p.m. was Rs. 221.4.

LONDON MARKETS

The rates at 3.30 p.m. were as follows:—

TEA	Indian Pekoe (1-0 3/4) 1-0 3/4
	Indian Pekoe higher (1-4 3/4) 1-4 1/4
	Ceylon Pekoe (1-1 1/4) 1-1 1/4
	Ceylon Pekoe higher (2-3 1/2) 2-3 1/2

JUTE

New Crop February March (18 1/16) 18 1/16
 sellers £18 1/16 seller £18 1/16
 Dunlop February (222) £22
 Lightning February (£20 1/4) £20 1/4
 sellers.

RUBBER

Spot (10 9/16 buyers) 10 9/16 values.
 Forward April June (10 5/8 paid and sellers) 10 5/8 paid and sellers

LINSEED

Castorseed Bombay February March (£13 3/4) 13 3/4
 Linseed Calcutta February March (£13 13/16) 13 13/16
 Linseed La Plata January (£11 3/4) 11 3/4
 Groundnuts Coromandel March (£14 7/8) 14 7/8
 sellers

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, Feb. 18.
 Liverpool wheat opened steady with March at 101 1/2 and May 103 1/2. The market responded to better Argentine cables and good demand from Germany with the strength accentuated by reports of some enquiry for Australian descriptions but subsequently prices gave way under some liquidation in the absence of good news.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, Feb. 18.
 Chicago wheat opened quiet with May at 1.35 1/8. Prices showed an easier tendency on absence of any important buying and general lack of foreign demand.

3 1/2 P. C. GOVT. PAPER

Closing Quotation

Bombay, Feb. 18.
 The 3 1/2 per cent Govt. paper was quoted at Rs. 94-12 1/2 at 2 p.m. The closing quotation at 5 p.m. was Rs. 95.
 Fluctuations during the sessions were as follows:—

	Rs. a. p.
Opening	94 10 0
Highest	95 0 6
Lowest	94 10 0
Closing	95 0 0

INDIAN STERLING LOAN

London, Feb. 18.
 The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £91 as against the previous closing at £92

INDIAN LOANS

	London, Feb. 18.
3 per cent New Indian Loan (£98 1/4)	£98 1/4
3 1/2 per cent Indian Loan (£92 1/4)	£92 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (1950-55) (£111 3/4)	£111 3/4
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68 (£115 3/4)	£115 3/4
4 per cent Indian 1948-53 (£106 3/4)	£106 3/4
5 per cent Indian 1942-47 (£113)	£113
3 1/2 per cent New Indian 1954-59 (£102 3/4)	£102 3/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

3 per cent Australian Loan 1945-70 (£107 1/4)	£107 1/4
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BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£79 1/2)	£79 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Government Loan (1902 1/2) (£102 1/4)	£102 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£107)	£107
5 per cent Funding Loan (£112)	£112
2 1/2 per cent War Loan (£102)	£102
7/8 per cent Victory Bonds (£110 3/4)	£110 3/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Feb. 18.
 Coppers were good on general buying. Kaffirs were rather undecided. Otherwise markets generally were unfavourably influenced by weaker gilt-edged.

INDUSTRIALS

British Celanese Second Preference (17-6)	17-6
Marke and Spencer Ordinary (88-7 1/2)	88-7 1/2
Hydro Electric (12-4 1/2)	12-4 1/2
Musical Industries (24-3)	24-3
Prinching Johnson (55-6)	55-6
Imperial Chemical (40-3)	40-3
Woolworth Ordinary (75-3)	75-3
Realisation 1930 (99-3)	99-3
Dunlop Rubber (33-6)	33-6
Unilever Ordinary (43-9)	43-9
Ford Motors (32-6)	32-6
Cables and Wireless (43-8)	43-8
Carries American Tobacco (128-3)	128-3
Carries A (£8 3/4)	8 1/2
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (158-3)	158-3

LONDON METALS

London, Feb. 18.
 To-day's opening rates were as follows:—
 Tin (£231 1/2 buyers £231 3/4 sellers. Very steady) £234 buyers £234 1/4 sellers. Firm.
 Lead (28 1/4 buyers £28 3/8 sellers. Strong) unquoted.
 Electrolytic Copper (£63 1/2 to £64 1/2) £65 to £66
 Glasgow Iron (£87) £87

SILVER CABLES

Bombay, Feb. 18.
 The following cable information was received here to-night from London:—
 "Speculators bought and sold. China sold. Market steady."

LONDON SILVER

	London, Feb. 18.
Spot	20 1/16d. 20 1/8d.
Forward	20d. 20 1/16d.

LONDON GOLD

London, Feb. 18.
 Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£7-2 1/2) £7-2-1

BOMBAY BULLION

Latest Quotations

	Bombay, Feb. 18.
Silver ready	Rs. 5 0
Silver 1st settlement	49 2 0
Silver 2nd settlement	49 5 0
Gold ready	25 2 6
Gold 1st settlement	35 2 3
Gold 2nd settlement	35 2 3
Severigns	22 5 6

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotations

	Bombay, Feb. 18.
Wheat May	Rs. 7 3
Wheat Sept	5 6 0
Linseed May	7 7 6
Linseed Sept	7 11 6

BROWN BOLD LINSEED

	Bombay, Feb. 18.
May 1937 Delivery (Through Bombay Grains and Seeds Association).	Rs. a. p.
Rates at 11-0 a.m.	7 6 9
Rates at 12-0 noon	7 7 3
Rates at 3-30 p.m.	7 8 0
Rates at 5-0 p.m.	7 7 6

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Feb. 18.
 The following were to-day's opening rates:—
 General Motor (dol 68 1/4) dol 67 1/4
 Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 57 5/8) dol 58 1/8
 U S Steel Common (dol 105 1/2) dol 106 1/4
 U S Steel Preference (148 3/4) 148 3/4

COPPERS STRONG AND ACTIVE

Sharp Break In Leading Industrials

(SPECIAL CABLE)
 LONDON, Feb. 18.
 The Stock Exchange was very patchy. Coppers were strong and active. Oils were mostly firm but many leading industrials fell sharply, particularly breweries wherein the revival of fears of increased taxation induced selling.

In commodities copper and spelter ruled very strong of fear of shortage of supplies developing. Tin and lead were firm. Rubber was weaker in sympathy with New York.

Wheat was easier in sympathy with Argentine.

Wall Street was irregular.

JUTE SHARES STEADY

Coals Firm And Teas Uninteresting

CALCUTTA, Feb. 18.
 Jutes ruled steady and unchanged. Coals continued to rule firm. Teas displayed not much interest. In miscellaneous copper and minerals met with strong demand as well as Indian cables and dunlop rubber ord. while engineering securities were weaker. Following were closing quotations:—
 Securities—Three per cent paper 88 1/4, three and a half per cent paper 94 1/4, four per cent loan 1950/70 112 1/8, small lot, five per cent loan 1975/55 119 1/8.
 Cottons—Bengal Nagpur ord 16 1/4, Birla 12 1/4, Dunbar 14 1/8 small lot, Kesaram 5 1/11.
 Coals:—Baranoni annas 8, Bengal Nagpur ord 31 1/8, Bengal 32 1/8, Bhagora 2 1/2, Bokaro and Ramgur 15 1/5, small lot, Burakur 16 1/6, Borra 15, Burra Dheem 3 1/8, Churulia 2 1/4, East India 19 1/4, Equitable 35 1/4, Ghusick and Muslia 4 1/2, Jaitly Central 1 1/2, Ondal 10 1/2, Parasai 1 1/4, New Beerboom 15, Nazira 10, Ranegunge 36 1/4, Searsole 4 1/1, Samla Colliery 3 1/2, Satpukuria and Asansol 1 1/2, Sendra 14 1/2, South Karanpura 1 1/2, Talcher 2 1/2.
 Jutes—Alliance 27 1/2 small lot, Anglo India 35 1/8, Barnagore 136 1/8, Delta 37 1/2, Ft. William 257, Gouropore 608 1/8, Gouropore pref 132, Howrah 53 1/3, India 338, Kamahattay 522, Kankar 425, Kadamath 104, Mogna 34 1/2, New Central 316, Nuddea 46 1/8, Orient 180, Standard 172.
 Miscellaneous:—Burma Corporation 12 1/2, cum div. Indian copper corporation 4 1/2, Consolidated tin 8 1/4, small lot, Khodasia copper 4 1/2, Tavyon tin 4 1/2, Burn and Com. ord. 32 1/2, Indian steel and wire products ord. 47 1/8, Indian steel and wire products def. 31 1/2, Indian St. wagon ord. 81, Indian iron and steel 37 1/8, Kumardhubi engineering pref 108, Marshalls and Co. 3 1/2, Dunlop rubber ord. 19 1/10, Dunlop rubber second pref 150 1/4, Great Eastern 15, 242 1/8, Ganges rope 317, Indian cables 17, British Burma petroleum 6 1/3, Humayan property ord. 18 1/2, Humayan property pref 10 1/2.
 Teas:—Sungee Bengal 342 1/2, ts. Teas:—Daurachera 13, New Samanbagh 30 1/2, Tenggani 16 1/4, Tukwar 14 1/8, Debutentes:—Six per cent 1936/41 46, Kedarnath Jute 103 1/8.—A.P.

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York, Feb. 18

Messrs. Bativalva and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

Amr Gas and Electric	43
Amr Power and Light Pfd	66
Amr Power Pfd	66
Electric P and Light	65
Electric Bond Common	54
United States Steel	25
Int Tel and Tel	15
American Tel and Tel	178 1/2
Western Union Telg	76 3/4
Baltimore and Ohio Railway	26
Securities	16
Great North Pfd Railway	47
New York Central Railway	44 1/4
Southern Pacific Railway	49
National Steel	136
Bethlehem Steel	86
Republic Steel	34 1/2
United States Steel	105
Amr Car Foundry	67
Anacanda Copper Mining	67
Int Nickel of Canada	66 1/2
For Motors of Canada	28
General Motors	67
Sperry Corporation	22
United Aircraft	16
Skelly Oil	45
Chase Bank	61
National City Bank	57
Sun Life of Canada	13
Market steady and we expect improvement.	

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, Feb. 18.

	Rs. a. p.
Groundnuts Feb.	
Opening	41 9 0
Highest	41 14 0
Lowest	41 9 0
Closing	41 11 0

Groundnuts May

	Rs. a. p.
Opening	43 1 0
Highest	43 11 0
Lowest	43 1 0
Closing	43 7 0

Castorseed May

	Rs. a. p.
Opening	35 13 6
Highest	36 6 6
Lowest	35 13 6
Closing	36 2 9

Castorseed May

	Rs. a. p.
Opening	20 6 0
Highest	20 10 6
Lowest	20 6 0
Closing	20 9 0

Imates of Idaho (U.S.) State

Penitentiary are being given an opportunity to learn aviation. Two aeroplane engines have been sent to the prison for instructional purposes, and efforts are being made to obtain a condemned army plane.

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES

	1936-37	1935-36
Receipts to date	5696000	6182000
Receipts Yesterday	11000	8000
Exports to date	3872000	4432000
Stock at Interior	2294000	2477000
Stock at Liverpool	1952000	2158000
Visible Supply	906000	699000
Quantity in sight	5851000	6357000
Quantity out of sight	10762000	10490000
	12-2-37	12-2-37

Produce Receipts

Bombay, Feb. 18.

	Cwts.
Wheat	2,255
Linseed	3,220
Rape, Rai and Mustards	1,281
Gingellyseed	1,477
Poppseed	142
Groundnuts	10,277
Castorseed	2,753
Rice	67,109
Myrabollams	3,084
Cottonseed	3,452
Gram	782
Jowar	991
Barley	215
Sajire	1,179
Indian Sugar	5,894
Coal	710

HUME RAIL SHARES

Great Western (£59 1/4)	£58 3/4
L N E R Ord. (£29)	29 3/4
L N E R Defd. (£5 1/4)	5 1/4
Southern Dutch (£22 5/8)	£22 5/8
London Paris 5 per cent (£127 1/2)	£127 1/2
London Transport 'C' Stock (£96)	£96

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

The following were to-day's opening rates:—

General Motor (dol 68 1/4) dol 67 1/4	
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 57 5/8) dol 58 1/8	
U S Steel Common (dol 105 1/2) dol 106 1/4	
U S Steel Preference (148 3/4) 148 3/4	

WIDESPREAD THUNDER-STORMS IN C. I.

POONA, February 18.

Thunderstorms have been widespread in the central parts of the country. Chota-Nagpur, Orissa and the Deccan and have occurred at a few stations in North Madras Coast, south-east Madras, east Rajputana, west United Provinces, and the Punjab Hills.

A fresh western disturbance is approaching the North-West Frontier.

Chief amounts of rainfall are:—Sambalpur, two inches; Sutta and Bargarh one-and-a-half each; and Nowgong, Kanker and Conoor one each.

FORECAST.

Fairly widespread thunderstorms are likely to continue in Chota-Nagpur, Orissa, Central Provinces, and Central India and extend in West Bengal Bihar, United Provinces and Rajputana. A few thunderstorms are also likely in Baluchistan and the Peninsula.—A.P.

CALCUTTA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 18-2-1937.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours plus .003 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 72.9 degrees.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 70.1 degrees.

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 82.1 degrees 0.7 (below normal).

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 70.4 degrees 3.2 (above normal).

Relative Humidity at 8 a.m. 86 p.e.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. ENE

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 7 miles per hour.

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 90 miles.

Velocity of maximum gust of wind

Active Trade Buying Of Old Crop Cotton

SPECULATIVE ACTIVITY LOW Strong Technical Situation

On Wednesday the New York cotton futures market was fairly steady with active trade buying in old crop months.

Trade is now realising the strong technical position of old crop months and indications are that the consumption will be equal to production this season.

Speculative activity in new crop months is low and operators await Washington developments.

Bombay, Feb 18
When all commodities are looking up, cotton remains dull. Fundamentals are strong. Consumption is likely to be equal to production. The other factors we were informed of a barter agreement with Germany and credit facilities for Italy. Huge armament loan and a million bales for flood relief in U. S. A. All these factors failed to attract buyers—Why?

The release of loan cotton and prospect of an increase of 10 to 12 per cent in total area under cotton cultivation. These two factors influenced liquidation and prices are down.

The Commodity Credit Corporation refuses to change selling terms and the coming cotton crop is an unknown factor.

On Wednesday the New York cotton futures market was quiet but steady. A mixed appearance was due to the fact that business was largely within the trade. Private estimates of loan sales hitherto are 350,000 bales mostly of better lots. Advances from Washington indicate that the Commodity Credit Corporation is at present not considering a change in loan terms.

The market opened steady with moderately active trading. Prices declined on March liquidation and hedging but later rallied on active trade and Co-operative buying with pressure generally lighter. Thereafter the market reacted partially on hedging. Finally foreign selling of new crop months appeared with the session ending steady.

NEW YORK MARKET
The market opened at the lowest level of the day at a decline of 2 points with May 12.36. Later on prices advanced 10 points to 12.48 on trade buying. The market closed at a rise of 8 points for near months but distant were 5 points down. Spot cotton prices closed 8 points down at 12.98 per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET
The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet but steady and closed unchanged to one point up. Spot cotton prices closed unchanged at 12.98 per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET
The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of 5 points with May 6.90. There was Manchester liquidation and lack of support apart from local covering. Later on hedging by Co-operative interests was more than local covering in near months. The market closed unchanged to 3 points down. Middling 3 points at 7.19, per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON
Egyptian cotton futures market was quiet but steady with a small business. Sakels futures closed unchanged to 3 points down and Uppers were 2 to 3 points lower.

The Alexandria market was easy, and Sakels prices declined 10 to 16 points while Ashmouni futures were 4 to 10 points down.

JAPANESE BUYING
Messrs M and B Stern stated: Japan booked about 16 lacs bales, which is about their annual takings. Though shipments have been deferred due to restricted freight space none of the contracts have been resold. Japanese mills are reported to have sold their production far ahead in the year, and owing to present remunerative yarn prices, there still exists an unabated demand for cotton, though Government regulations are restraining it. Despite the extremely wide parity with Americans outside support has been lacking in the local market and this is attributed to the large scale speculative bear operations and extremely small option premiums.

We consider the technical position of the market is very healthy and any constructive features would likely cause a sharp upturn; in any case, we see little risk in accumulating contracts around Rs. 220.

PRIVATE CABLES
New York May highest 12.48 plus 08 (11-32 a.m.)
New York May lowest 12.36-02 (10-0 a.m.)
Liverpool May highest 6.96 plus 01
Liverpool May lowest 6.89-06
Messrs. Patel Brothers have received the following cables:
New York Cotton Exchange Service called:
Loan sales estimated 200,000. Commodity Credit Corporation silent regarding changing terms. Acreage increase privately estimated ten to twelve per cent. No cotton crop insurance expected. Mill activity maintained. Cloth sales moderate.

Their Liverpool Agents called:
Hedges against loan cotton increasing. Their New York friends called:
Spot price now one point below minimum release price, therefore market should be purchased for moderate advance.

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee have received the following telegrams from their

Cotton Teji Mandi

Bombay, Feb 18
Broach A/M 6 8 0
Broach A/M due 21/3 5 0 0
Broach A/M due 21/2 2 0 0
Broach J/A 15 0 0

NEW YORK COFFEE

New York, Feb 17
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 8 7/8
quality)

LONDON RUBBER

London, Feb 17
Smoked Sheet Standard ribbed per lb 28 1/16
Sellers

foreign friends:—
Liverpool: (1) "Declined on lower New York advices. Expecting further hedging from loan releases while lack of buying power will probably cause further sagging tendency."
(2) "Market resisting decline. Look for moderate improvement nears."

New York: "Buying concentrated on old crop. Trade is commencing to realise strong technical position of old crop believing that consumption will be equal to production this year."

Messrs. Chumal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—
Liverpool: Tone steadier on support encouraged by decline in average Southern spots to below minimum loan release level. Government's huge armament programme construed bullishly as pointing to further world-wide inflation credit to finance arms expenditures.

New York: Co-operative and trade bought nears. Spot houses and foreign interests sold distant. Some talk 3,00,000 bales of loan cotton released so far.

New York: Merchants selling May and July against repossessed loan cotton causes recession while trade fixations held March. Market lacks aggressive buying power.
New York: Average spot prices yesterday below loan release levels. Distinctly less pressure to sell. No indication of a change in release terms in the near future. Trading narrow.

Messrs. Langley and Co. have received the following cable from Liverpool: Cotton: For investment strongly advised purchases new crop Liverpool American present levels. As considerable quantity outside growths hedged in upper market consider purchases July upper very attractive.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, Feb 17
March 12.58 plus 02
May 12.41 plus 02
July 12.28
October 11.80-02
December 11.74-04
January 11.73-05
Middling Spot 12.98-08

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, Feb 17
March 12.45
May 12.35 plus 01
July 12.22 plus 01
Middling Spot 12.90

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS
New York, Feb 17
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July 12.28/12.28
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BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Feb 18
Following a rise of 3 points in New York cotton futures market the local market opened to-day at Rs. 220 for Broach A/M delivery and improved to Rs. 221 on scattered buying by bazar operators but later on increased selling appeared and prices eased off to Rs. 220 1/4.

The general feeling continues bearish and in the absence of Japanese support the market looks like weakening although our prices are attractive. The market is likely to be irregular for some time but any favourable development in American cotton will have better feeling in the local market.

The undertone of the market was quiet. Liverpool market opened unchanged and local market ruled very steady on active buying and closed at 5-30 p.m. as under:—

	Rs. a. p.
Broach A/M	221 4 0
Broach J/A	224 0 0
Omara March	203 8 0
Omara May	203 4 0
Bengal May	178 4 0
Bengal May	178 0 0

BAKRI-ID-HOLIDAY

All leading markets will remain closed on Monday the 22nd inst. being Bakri-id, a Mahomedan holiday.

Cotton Room Rates

	Bombay, Feb. 18.
Extra	185 182 179 176
Spr-fine Sup Fine FG Good	185 182 179 176
M.G.—	211 208 205 202
Bengal U. P.	223 220 217 214
Punjab	215 212 209 206
Omara No. 3	224 222 220 218
C.P. No. 1	204 201 198 195
C.P. No. 2	204 201 198 195
Khandesh	204 201 198 195

READY COTTON SALES.

	Bombay, Feb. 18.
206 N. Rajaram Sawdha 197/10	
100 N. Rajaram Pachora 6 off	
107 A. Poddar Chappa 199	
107 A. Poddar Hansi 181	
38 A. Poddar Vijainagar 181	
20 A. Poddar Aurangabad 199	
76 Japan T and Co. Barwaha 1 off	
33 G G Keshu and Co. Darwaha 1 on	
58 G G Keshu and Co. Digra 1 on	
51 Bombay and Co. Jalna 1 off	
92 Bombay and Co. Jamjodhpur 191 1/2	
50 Nathubhai Nathoo Chopda 6 off	
23 Hindustani Mill Yestmal 214 1/2	
75 Japan T and Co. Parbhani 2 off	

Ready Cotton Quotations

	Bombay, Feb. 18.
Bengal Superfine	183/85
Bengal Fine	180/82
C.P. 1	216/18
C.P. 2	209/11
Arvi	209/11
Elliehpur	208/08
Barar	204/06
Khamgaon	205/07
Mulkapur	205/07
Khandesh	209/02
Jalna/Sailu	200/02
Burwah Sanavard	205/08
Broach Fine	220/22
Punjab/American	216/26
Sind, N.T.	256/61
Punjab 289F	271/61
Jagadai-Ankleshwar	251/53

Indian Cotton Figures

	Bombay, Feb. 18.
Since 1st Sept.	
In full-pressed Bales.	
3 days This year.	
Central India	1,927 184,584
Barsi and Nagar	5,557 241,700
Hyderabad-Gaonri	1,648 123,615
Benar	1,054 57,904
Central Provinces	10,394 420,178
Total Omars	2,078 90,901
Dholera	1,752 24,179
N.W. Provinces	75 5,468
Rajputana	890 10,157
Sind-Punjab	2,812 22,476
Broach	6,867 41,539
Coompta and Dharwar	43 11,737
Western-Northern	161 13,738
Cocacanna	124
Tinnevely and Cambodia	2,943
Persian	10,060
American	3,592
Egyptian and African	415 140,530
Comilla, Burma and other	5
Total	35,863 1,630,638

Exports From Bombay

	1st Sept. to 11th Feb.
In full-pressed Bales.	
Yesterday This year	
Europe	5,324 193,200
Japan and China	18,337 718,214
Coast Ports	210 10,060
Up-country by Rail	112,837
Afloat in harbour for Eu-	
rope China & Japan	35,590
Total	23,817 1,069,701

Osaka Cotton

	Osaka, Feb 18
March 73.90 plus 10	
April 74.20 plus 10	

Osaka Sarnip

	Osaka, Feb 18
February 248.00-90	
April 242.90-100	
May 242.60-70	
June 242.30-10	
August 243.00	

LONDON SEEDS

	London, Feb 17
Linseed La Plata Hull C.I.F.	£11-15-0
February sellers	£11-15-0
Linseed Calcutta London C.I.F.	£13-16-3
February March sellers	£13-16-3
Linseed Bombay London C.I.F.	£14-0-0
February March sellers	£14-0-0
Rapeseed Toria Hull/Cont C.I.F.	£13-15-0
February March sellers	£13-15-0
Customs Bombay Hull C.I.F.	£12-15-0
February March sellers	£12-15-0

LONDON DISCOUNT RATE

	London, Feb 17
Bank bills 3 months market rate	Unchanged
Bank bills 6 months market rate	Unchanged
Bank bills 9 months market rate	Unchanged
Bank bills 12 months market rate	Unchanged
Interest day to day loan	Unchanged
Interest 1/2 per cent to 1/2 per cent	Unchanged
Interest 7 days' market loan	Unchanged

Cotton Arrivals

Receipts into Bombay on 14th February 17,016 bales
Receipts into Bombay to date since 1-9-1936 1,594,775 bales
Receipts into Bombay same time last season 1,154,345 bales
Increase 440,430 bales

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

	London, Feb 17
Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent	£71
Indian Stock 3 per cent	£78 1/4
1936	
Indian Stock 3 1/2 per cent	£52
1931 or later	
Indian Stock 4 1/2 per cent	£111 3/4
1930/31	
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£78 3/4
Conversion Loan 1 1/2	
per cent 1951	£102 1/4
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952	£101 3/4
Funding Loan 4 per cent	£111 3/4
1960/80	£110 1/2
Victory Bonds 4 per cent	£110 1/2
Chartered Bank of I A	16 7/8
and China	
Hongkong and Shanghai	£118
Bank London reg	£118
National Bank of India	£118
P and O Banking Corporation	£118

New York Sugar

	New York, Feb. 17.
May	2.63-1
July	2.63-1
September	2.63-1
November	2.63-1

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, Feb 18

Yesterday London gold prices were unchanged at £7-2-0 1/2. London Paris Exchange rate was 3 points up at 105.13. Dollar sterling cross rate was quoted 4.89 15/32. London silver market was unchanged and spot was quoted 20 1/16d but forward silver was 1/16d down at 20d. India and China bought. Some American Commercial buying. Later on the market was very steady and sellers were reserved. There was some American support. New York silver prices were unchanged at 44 3/4 cents while Montreal futures were unchanged to 5 points down for May position. The local market was easy on increased selling and prices declined below Rs. 48 level. The general feeling is bearish and the offtake continues poor. The gold market was quiet but steady with a slightly better enquiry.

GOLD
Rs. a. p.
Ready 35 2 3
Magh 35 2 3
Fagan 35 2 3

SILVER
Rs. a. p.
Ready 50 1 0
Magh 48 1 0
Fagan 49 1 0

Montreal Silver
Montreal, Feb 17
February 44.80-
March 44.70-
May 44.80-05

N. Y. Silver
New York, Feb 17
Spot silver prices remained unchanged at 44 3/4 cents

LONDON SILVER
London, Feb 17
Spot Forward 20 1/16
1/6 7/32

LONDON GOLD
London, Feb 17
Gold Bars Fine per ounce £7-2-0 1/2

London Metals
London, Feb 17
Copper £56 16 3
Tin £232 0 0
Lead £28 3 9
Spelter £25 17 6

BOMBAY METALS
Bombay, Feb. 18.
London Market—
(Buyers)
Standard Copper 3 months £59/0/0
Electrolytic copper £64/10/0
New York—
Blue Eagle 13/70 cents.
Non-Blue Eagle 13/30 cents.
Bombay Market—
Yellow Metal Sheets Rs. 42-8-0
Copper Sheets Rs. 54-8-0
Tone: Strong.

Linseed & Wheat
Bombay, Feb 18
The local wheat and linseed market was very steady with improved buying. Enquiries were light and the undertone of the market was good. A private cable received from New York state the Tuesday's reaction appears to have strengthened the technical position of the market. United States reports of continuance of bad weather for the crop and trading position on the long side continues to be attractive. To-day's quotations were as under:—
Linseed May 7 8 3
Linseed September 7 12 3
Wheat May 5 6 6
Wheat September 5 6 3

Liverpool Wheat
Liverpool, Feb. 17
March 101d.
May 103d.
July 104 1/2d.

Chicago Wheat
Chicago, Feb. 17
May 1.13 1/4
July 1.11 1/4
September 1.14 7/8

Cotton Straddles
APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES
New York Liverpool: March 159 May
176 July 181 at cross rate 4.89 15/32
Bombay Liverpool: Broach A/M 1937
221 Liverpool May 6.95 Rs. 81 3/4 at
exchange 1/6
Bombay Liverpool: Broach J/A 1937
221 New York May 12.41 Rs. 81 at
exchange 4.89 15/32

Alexandria Cotton
Alexandria, Feb 17
SAKEL—
March 17.66-12
May 17.50-10
November 15.54-14
GIZA—
March 15.67-10
November 15.54-14

Indian Sterling Loans
London, Feb 17
Call Loan London 1/2
3 per cent 78 1/4
3 1/2 per cent 82
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59 102 1/2
4 per cent 1948/53 106 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55 111 3/4
5 per cent 1942/47 113
3 per cent 1949/52 98 1/2
2 1/2 per cent British Consols 78 3/4
3 1/2 per cent Conversion 102 1/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan 101 3/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, Feb 17
Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent £71
Indian Stock 3 per cent £78 1/4
1936
Indian Stock 3 1/2 per cent £52
1931 or later
Indian Stock 4 1/2 per cent £111 3/4
1930/31
Consols 2 1/2 per cent £78 3/4
Conversion Loan 1 1/2
per cent 1

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In The Assembly

Railway Budget Under Fire

**M. L. As' INDICTMENT OF
ADMINISTRATION**

**Zafrullah Exposes
Gidney's
Threat**

NEW DELHI, Feb. 18.
The general discussion on the
Railway Budget started in the
Assembly to-day.

Sir Henry Gidney, opening the
debate, suggested that since the
Railway Member had been able to
turn a deficit into a credit budget,
there was no need for bringing
out the Wedgwood Committee.

After referring to the contrast
between the returns of the state-
managed and company-managed
railways, Sir Henry Gidney urged
the railway member to cry a halt
"in his headlong rush for econo-
my at all costs at the expense of
railway subordinates."

"Let me tell him that he has
gone too far already. Let me
advise him to retrace his steps,
otherwise he will be faced with
united opposition of a magnitude,
that the Government of India
will be impotent to combat."

Proceeding, Sir Henry declared
that it was the Anglo-Indian com-
munity alone that suffered so
much by the new scales amounting
to an all-round reduction of from
fifty to sixty per cent. in initial
salaries and from forty to
sixty per cent. in maxi-
mum salaries. Yet it was the
Anglo-Indian community that
Government always looked for
loyalty and help when they were
in trouble, as has recently been
evidenced in the B. N. Railway
strike which the Anglo-Indian
community helped to stop.

Sir Henry Gidney discussed in
detail the implications of Section
242 of the Government of India
Act and declared that it contain-
ed statutory direction clearly en-
joining the Government to pay
due regard to the community's
past associations on the railways,
posts and telegraphs.

He requested the Railway Mem-
ber to let him know on the floor
of the House what his views were
on this matter and what he in-
tended to do in response to the
Speaker's demand regarding the
Anglo-Indian Community.

Waiting For Change
Sir Ralph and Lady Wedgwood
and Mr. Cheadle were present in
the distinguished visitors' gallery
while two members of the Council
of State—Mr. Ramdas Pantulu and
Mr. Govindachary were present in
the Council of State gallery.

Sir Mahomed Yakub, speaking
after Sir Henry Gidney said that
he did not wish to utilise this
opportunity to ventilate the grie-
vances of the Muslim community
or put in special plea for greater
employment of Muslim youths in
railways not because there was
not more need for such employ-
ment, but because he felt that the
Assembly had done all that was
possible to safeguard interests of

a minority community; moreover
he would like to wait and see the
effect of the Government circular
on the subject. There would be
plenty of opportunity to see what
happened when, under the re-
forms power was transferred from
British bureaucrats to Indian
hands, and how the majority com-
munity would deal with minority
communities.

Striking Improvement
The speaker said that the Rail-
way Budget had shown a striking
improvement in earnings and also
all round, general improvement.
This was no small credit to Sir
Mahomed Zafrullah Khan who
came straight from public life to
administer the most important and
difficult branch of the public ser-
vice.

He must openly acknowledge
the services rendered to Indian
railways by Sir Mohamed and by
Sir Raghavendra Rao, whom
the speaker congratulated on his
knighthood. Sir Mahomed Zafrul-
lah fully justified public expecta-
tions.

Depressing Fact.
The Railway Budget, however,
disclosed one most depressing fact:
namely, that it was not possible to
make a full contribution to the
general revenue.

The objectionable feature of the
Budget was the high rate at
which apportionment was made
to the depreciation fund.

He was glad that it had been
decided to write off borrowings
from this fund and he hoped that
the rates of apportionment would
also be examined and reduced.

Criticising other features of the
administration Sir Mahomed Ya-
kub said that the system of divi-
sional superintendents was very
expensive. Under these superin-
tendents were officers piled one
upon another, such as D.T.O's,
A.T.O's, and so on, exhausting the
whole English alphabet, who sim-
ply signed huge files (laughter).

He asked the Railway Member
to give serious attention to this
and to take steps to go back to
the old system.

Rail Road Competition
As regards road-rail competition,
he blamed the railways for the
diversion of traffic. He said that
time-tables were prepared with-
out regard to the convenience of
passengers and trains were gener-
ally slower than buses.

The lower staff treated the passengers
badly and were corrupt, particu-
larly in their dealings with busi-
nessmen.

Sir Mahomed objected to the
new system of auctioning refresh-
ment stalls on railway stations and
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Mrs. Annapurnabai Deshmukh greets lady voters on arrival at
Gowalia Tank on Thursday morning.



Desh Sevika explaining to an illiterate woman how and for whom
she is to vote.

ASSAM GOVT. PLANS

**President And Dy. President
Of Council To Receive
Only Daily Allowances**

SHILLONG, Feb. 17.
Sir Robert Reid, Governor-de-
signate of Assam will assume
charge of his office on the 5th of
April next.

The Assam Legislative Assembly
will meet on the 6th of April,
when the members will take their
Oath of Allegiance and elect the
Speaker and Deputy Speaker. A
motion for vote of confidence on
the Ministry will thereafter be
taken up for discussion.

The Assam Legislative Council
(Upper House) will meet in the
7th April next, when the members
will take their Oath of Allegiance
and the President and the Deputy
President will be elected.

Daily Allowance For Presidents.
The Speaker and the Deputy
Speaker of the Legislative Assem-
bly (Lower House) will get a
monthly pay, whereas the Presi-
dent and the Deputy President of
the Upper House will be given only
daily allowance when the Council
(Upper House) will be actually in
session. The President's daily
allowance will not be more than
Rs. 50 and the Deputy Presi-
dent's Rs. 25.

As regards making provision for
the Deputy and Assistant Minis-
ters and Parliamentary Under-
Secretaries, the Assam Govern-
ment, it is understood, will shape
its course of action on the lines of
the Bengal Government. Inform-
ed political circles are, however,
of the opinion that, owing to
financial stringency, Deputy and
Assistant Ministers may not be
appointed.

Under-Secretaries.
But, having regard to the volu-
me of work which each Minister
will be called upon to do and the
number of questions to be an-
swered on the floor of the Houses,
it may be necessary for efficiency
of work to appoint Parliamentary
Under-Secretaries, who, it is
learned, will be five in number, be-
ing one for each Minister. Their
salary will not be more than Rs.
200 per head. If, however, the
salary of the Ministers is reduced
to Rs. 1,000 per month, as the
Congress members are contem-
plating, then the pay of the

Rowdies Assault Mr. Varada- chariar, Congress Candidate

**Victim Removed To Hospital Profusely Bleeding:
Hooliganism In Another Part Of City Also**

MADRAS, February 18.
Great sensation was caused in Triplicane late last night, when
news spread that Mr. N. S. Varadachariar, a Councillor in the Mad-
ras Corporation and Secretary of the Congress Party in the Madras
Corporation and a Congress candidate for the Assembly election
from the City, was belaboured while making his final round in elec-
tion campaign before returning home.

While going past a temple, Mr. Varadachariar was suddenly sur-
rounded by about twenty rowdies, who began to put all sorts of
questions to him and jeered at him.

When he was trying his best to answer their meaningless ques-
tions, he was suddenly assaulted with a heavy cement slab.

Profusely Bleeding
Mr. Varadachariar began to
bleed profusely and was about to
swoon, when the inmates of a
hotel opposite to the scene rushed
to the place. The rowdies at-
tempted to beat them also, but,
on seeing a big crowd rushing to-
wards them, they made good their
escape.

Mr. Varadachariar, who was in-
jured on the head, forehead and
chin, was given prompt medical
attention. The matter was re-
ported to the police at once.

IN ANOTHER PART OF CITY
Rowdism of lesser degree
was displayed in another
part of the City, when
carrying National Flags and
Yellow Box were stopped and sur-
rounded in the St. Xavier Street
near the Central Cinema by some
hired men of the non-Brahmin
Party.

Under-Secretaries will also be
reduced to Rs. 100.—United Press.

NEW PARTY IN COUNCIL OF STATE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17.
A number of non-official elected
members of the Council of State
again met this afternoon, at the
residence of Mr. Muhammed Hus-
sain and finally decided to form
themselves into a party.

The name and the draft rules of
the Progressive Party which func-
tioned in the last Council were
provisionally adopted, subject to
approval by a bigger meeting to be
held early in March, which will
give final shape to the party.

The strength of the Party is ex-
pected to be fifteen. Rai Bahadur
Lala Ramsaran Das and Mr.
Hosain Imam, Leader and Deputy
Leader respectively of the old Pro-
gressive Party, will continue to
work in the same capacity in the
new party. Mr. P. N. Sapru has
been appointed the secretary.

Those present at the meeting
were R. B. Lala Ramsaran Das,
Mr. Hosain Imam, Sir Pheroze
Sethna, Mr. Hriday Nath Kunzru,
Mr. P. N. Sapru, Mr. Abdul Sattar,
Mr. Mahomed Hussain, Mr. Govin-
dachary, Khan Bahadur Allabux,
Mr. Mahapatra and Mr. Srinarain
Mehta.—A. P.

Dr. Rabindra Nath Tagore will
perform the opening ceremony of
the coming session of the All-
Bengal Literary Conference at
Chandernagore on February 21.

RLY. ENQUIRY COMMITTEE FINISHES JOB

**Report To Come Out Early
In April**

NEW DELHI, February 18.
Sir Ralph Wedgwood and other
members of the Railway Enquiry
Committee, having completed
their enquiry are leaving to-night
for Bombay from where they will
sail on February 20.

Originally the Committee had
hoped to complete the report be-
fore leaving India, but with a view
to making the recommendations
as thorough as possible, covering
all grounds, they came to the con-
clusion to continue their labours
on their voyage home and finish
them on arrival in London.

The report is expected to be
ready for submission early in
April. The Government have per-
mitted Mr. Cheadle to accompany
the Committee to London.

Sir Ralph appreciated the use-
ful assistance given to the Com-
mittee by the Local Governments
and various public bodies.—A. P.

IMPROVEMENT IN EARNINGS OF STATE RLYS.

NEW DELHI, Feb. 17.
The approximate gross earnings
of the State-owned Railways for
the period of 11 days ending 31st
January 37, amounted to 350
lakhs or 29 lakhs more than the
actuals for the corresponding
period of the previous year.

The figures show increases in
approximate gross earnings in all
the principal State-owned Rail-
ways except the B. N. and Tirhut
and Lucknow-Bareilly.

The earnings of the B.N.R. fell
during the period by 341,000. The
G. I. P. recorded a fall of 100,000
under coaching earnings and the
M.S.M. a fall of 29,000, the latter
owing to bus competition.—A. P.

CONGRESS PARTY TO ATTEND SESSION ON FEB. 23

NEW DELHI, Feb. 18.
A whip has been issued to all
members of the Congress party to
reach Delhi on February 22 at the
latest.

A meeting of the party will be
held at 30 Ferozeshah Road at 4

AROUND POLLING BOOTHS

**Humours Of City Elections
Observed By Our
Representative**

City elections for the Bombay
Legislative Assembly provides
many humorous incidents, as ob-
served by our representative.

Many voters, specially those be-
longing to the Scheduled castes,
took the Congress advice to the
voters to visit the polling booth
in the spirit of a pilgrimage en-
tirely literally and bound and
"namaskared" the booths with
folded hands as if they were Gods
worship would lead to freedom.

Some of Dr. Ambedkar's support-
ers thought that the election was
a sort of competition in sketching
and started on a programme of
careful drawing of the emblems on
the voting papers, before the
Polling officer pulled him up and
informed him that no more draw-
ing skill was required of them
than is necessary for putting a
"cross".

A supporter of Dr. Ambedkar
thought that Government were
out to catch out various criminals
in the city by means of the elec-
tion. Like a good citizen he pre-
sented himself at the polling sta-
tion when asked by the officer to
put crosses, opposite any names
he liked he sternly refused to do
so and replied that he had no
previous convictions.

The Officer, of course, explained
that no admission of crime was
involved in putting the cross and
that in any case none would know
what he had done on the voting
paper.

A number of voters advised by
their canvassers to put crosses
against the names of their favo-
rites crossed on the emblems re-
presenting the candidates as the
viva-voce equivalent for "against"
in this case is on.

A voter thought the elections
had some mysterious "connection
with the King Crisis and that the
candidates were chosen to solve
the problem of finding a new King.

Interpretations on the purpose
of the elections were legion.
Some thought they were to get
reduction in taxes or rents, others
thought India had at last secured
Swaraaj and not a few believed
that Mahatma Gandhi was to be
made the King of India. In fact
the King idea seemed to be the
vogue.

Satyamurthi For Delhi

MADRAS, February 18.
Mr. Satyamurthi, M.L.A., is leav-
ing for Delhi on the 21st Febru-
ary to attend the Assembly ses-
sion.—United Press.

o'clock on Monday February 22.
Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, the Leader of
the Congress Party in the Assem-
bly is arriving here on the even-
ing of February 21st by the Fron-
tier Mail.

The Congress Party is expected
to attend the session of the As-
sembly on February 23rd.—A. P.

FOUR LABOUR LEADERS PROSECUTED

CALCUTTA, February 18.
Messrs. Shamsuddin, Manoran-
jan Roy, Abdul Jabbar and Meno-
ranjan Soor, four Labour leaders
were prosecuted before the Chief
Presidency Magistrate to-day,
under the Press Emergency Powers
Act for having, it is alleged, pub-
lished unauthorised leaflets, en-
titled "Swadhinatan Dibash" (In-
dependence Day) and circulated
the same in the Halliday Park and
Sradhaanand Park on January 26.
Accused were released on bail
of Rs. 200 each and the case fixed
for March 2.—United Press.

A little Irish donkey living in
Belgium has been found guilty
of killing geese and ducks for the
sake of their livers.

EDGAR WALLACE'S DETECTIVE STORY DAY BY DAY

Inspector Wade—



"The Green Ribbon"